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O B A D I A H C O O P E R

(TAILOR AT ALBANY, N. Y., FROM 1713-1742),

HIS WIFE,

C O R N E L I A (G A R D E N I E R) C O O P E R,

AND

THEIR DESCENDANTS

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F O R E W O R D.

It was late in life when the writer and two cousins undertook the task of looking up the genealogy of some of the early American families from whom we were said to be descended. Thus it was that the early Coopers of the Hudson River country became one of the targets upon which our searchlight was focused. Equipped with the meager information (transmitted by word of mouth, from generation to generation) that our earliest known Cooper forbear was English; that he lived at Albany and was a tailor; that he had a lot of children; and that we were among his numerous descendants, we ambitiously launched our investigation, with the determination to ferret out everything we possibly could regarding these ancient relatives of ours, and ascertain just where we dangled from that family tree. We promptly learned that to accomplish our purpose we must delve, and delve we have, for several long years. This volume records the results of our explorations. It is not designed to be a scientific genealogical treatise, but a bit of family history, for the enlightenment of the present and oncoming generations of our Cooper clan and of contemporaneous Coopers of other clans.

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After enlisting in this genealogical quest an acquaintance (to whom we had confided the task upon which we had embarked) wrote that some one in their family had traced their tree back to ten hundred and something, and that we "could draw our own conclusions regarding some of those who dangled from its branches! " Undaunted, however, we proceeded with our investigations.

Later we heard an eminent divine announce over the radio that going back to the days of William the Conqueror his ancestors probably reached the appalling number of millions, some of whom he was sure he would not like to meet on a dark night! Still undaunted, we forged ahead.

And now, after these several years of intensive labor, it is a relief to report that although our researches have revealed that apparently none of our forbears left fortunes (either honorably or questionably acquired) to be wrangled over from generation to generation, and none chiseled a place for himself in the Hall of Fame, they all seem to have left a record of diligent, faithful service, good conduct, and apparently a desire to keep in the "straight and narrow path," a legacy that surely should be cherished by their descendants. We have not found even one whom we should be afraid to meet alone on a dark night! (What we might have found, however, had we been able to trace the descent of our clan farther back toward Adam, we are content to leave to conjecture.) Many of those "investigated" are recorded as serving both as Elders and Deacons in the churches to which they belonged,and which they had assisted in establishing. Also, judging from the wills they left behind them, they all were opposed to the "right of primogeniture," then in vogue among the early settlers of the Hudson River country, and believed that all sons, regardless of age, should share alike in the distribution of the property they had been able to accumulate. Some of them were even so progressive as to believe that their daughters should share equally with their sons.

All of the early settlers of the Hudson River country were farmers (they had to be), but in addition many of them also followed some of the necessary occupations of that period, such as carpenters,wheelrights, wagon builders, blacksmiths, etc. Some of them are described in their wills as merchants, tailors, shopkeepers, etc. Evidently they had no idea how interesting they were going to become to their posterity, or they might, for our convenience, have left more conspicuous sign-posts along the roads they traversed, instead of seeming to modestly almost cover their tracks behind them.

Whence came all the information herein assembled? From the records of the numerous Churches they attended or assisted in establishing, from the Surrogates' offices, from the County Clerks' offices,from the County histories, from the Cemetery records, from the United States Census records (the earliest of which was 1790), and from the Revolutionary records.

In the early Church records of the Hudson River country (all of the very early Churches there were of the Dutch Reformed denomination) the names "Cooper" and "Obadiah" are frequently misspelled. Thus we find them recorded as Coeper, Couper, Cuoper, Coopper, Koeper, Kupper, Keuper, Obedia, Obedias, Obadie, Obedie, Obadya, Obedy, or Abadye, depending upon the preference of the Dutch dominie who officiated at the marriage or the baptism of the unprotesting (or protesting?) baby.The dominies were prone to spell names according to sound or to conform to early Dutch standards, which, however, are said to have been, at that period, only tentatively standardized. The names of all early settlers suffered from this same treatment at the hands of the good dominies, who, perhaps, inclined to the belief that a rose by any other name is quite as sweet. Of this inconsistency in the spelling of the names of the early settlers of this region, Roswell Randall Hoes (himself a Dutchman) has this to say, in his "Baptismal and Marriage Register of the Old First Dutch Church of Kingston, N.Y.," published in 1891:

> "The orthography of the proper names in these Registers is quite in keeping with a practice of the early times in which they were written. It never seems to have occurred to these university-bred Dutch Dominies of the Kingston Church to inquire how various persons presenting themselves for marriage, or their children for baptism, spelled their own names, but these names having been pronounced in their hearing, they recorded them phonetically, according to the prompting of their ears, or arbitrarily, according to the dictates of their fancy. This practice, however, involved no unusual inconsistency,for the orthography of the Dutch language, even in Holland, as respects both common and proper names, was not wholly settled until late in the eighteenth century. Some of our most familiar family names of today are recorded on these pages in half a dozen or more different ways, and in many instances variations in spelling occur even in the same baptismal or marriage entry."

But the early Dutch dominies of the Hudson River country were not the only people to disagree regarding the spelling of the names Cooper and Obadiah. According to the "Dictionary of National Biography, Index and Epitome," London, 1903, the name Cooper was variously spelled in England, for example:

> Cooper or Cowper, Edward, (d.1725?), a leading London printseller from 1685.
> Cooper or Couper, Thomas, 1517-1594, Bishop of Winchester. Son of Oxford tailor, etc.,etc.
> Cooper, Couper, or Cowper, Thomas (1626). Divine; educated at Westminster; student of Christ Church, Oxford, etc., etc.

According to the 1932 Standard Dictionary Obadiah is the spelling applied to one brief book of the Old Testament, consisting of 21 verses, but in other places in the Good Book the name is spelled Obadia, Obedia, and Obed-edom; also, the Hebrew Obhadhyahu means "servant of Jehovah." Thus the dominies of the Hudson River country in the early days had well-established precedent for varying the spelling of this Christian name.

Perhaps, too, the early Dutch and English settlers (who intermarried) did not much care how the good dominies spelled their names. They were very busy establishing homes, fighting Indians (and later the British Tories), and (evidently) in endeavoring to rapidly populate their adopted country with their own flesh and blood, and had scant time to give consideration to the esthetic ideas of the dominies regarding the correct orthography of the names they bore. To them life was real, and very earnest, and meant unceasing labor, self denial, and constant alertness against hordes of lurking foes. So they attended strictly to their secular affairs, content to be designated in the church records with any orthography that might be approved by the dominies, who varied from time to time and place to place, and in the volume of learning they possessed.

It is a regret that the records of some of these old churches are incomplete and often poorly kept. But the ministrations of the good dominies who had charge of them covered vast areas, due to the

distances between the churches assigned to their supervision. The roads were poor, the means of locomotion were very primitive, and their progress from place to place was very slow. So that, in view of the wealth of genealogical material the dominies have left us, they should be pardoned for the omissions and inconsistencies.

It is also a regret that it is impracticable for us to attempt to bring the genealogy of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of early Albany and his wife (Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper) down to date, so as to include all the more recent branches and twigs of the family tree they planted and nourished in little old Albany between 1713 and 1742 (the date of his death). Herein, however, stands the trunk of this family tree, with all of its original limbs and branches, many of its younger branches, and some of its twigs. It includes all of their children and grandchildren, most of their great grandchildren, and many of their more recent descendants. It is hoped that it will spur others to take up the quest where this volume leaves it, and supply the facts regarding the "moderns" of this early American family.

The writer gratefully acknowledges assistance received from Mrs. Edward A. Lansing of Albany, N. Y., Mrs. William H. Payne of Middle Grove, N. Y., and Mrs. Charles N. Lane of Brooklyn, N. Y., the latter of whom has burst into song with the following exultation:

Well, Gracie has finished our book on the Coopers;
At last it is ready to print.
Obadiah 'n Cornelia, to John and Amanda,
Our Gracie has finished her stint.

Our Obe the tailor -- now was he a sailor
And did he come over the sea?
Or was he a baby whose pappy, just maybe,
Was Fishkill's first settler? Was he?

Well, anyway, Ob and his good wife Cornelia
Went faring to far Albanee.
They settled them down in a home in the town
And raised them a big familee.

There was Abram and Jacob and John and Annatje,
Cornelia, Maria, and such.
They up and got married, not long had they tarried.
Their children increased very much.

Through Ab and Catrina, through Obe and Libbie,
We tracked them by hook or by crook;
But now the task's ended; their names are all blended;
And Gracie has written the book.

So here's to the Coopers, a family of troupers,
We're proud of our forbears each one.
They're doctors and farmers, and pastors and charmers.
All in all we've had plenty of fun.

WHENCE THE NAME COOPER ?

We thought we'd like to know. Hence we temporarily turned our searchlight in that direction, with the following results:

In "A Dictionary of the Family Names of the United Kingdom," by Mark Antony Lower, London, 1860, we found:

"Cooper. The occupation -- a maker of barrels, tubs, &c; originally from coop, to keep or contain anything, whether wine in a cask or a hen in her prison. Anglo-Saxon kepan, cepan. See Cowper." (p.68.)

"Coupar, Couper. Parishes in Fifeshire and Perthshire. Sometimes a corruption of Cooper." (p.72.)

"Cowper. The old spelling of Cooper. The pronunciation of the poet's name, an unnecessarily vexed question, is settled by this identity. Both the earl and the poet sprang from a Sussex family, who in 1495 wrote themselves Cooper." (p.73.)

From "Origin and History of the name Cooper," Am. Publishers' Ass., 1906, we culled the following:

"The Anglo-Saxon spelling of the ancient name of Copeman, meaning Couper, and Cowper; the Old Norse Kaupari, a merchant or dealer."

"In 1377 the Cooper family was prominent in Chester county, England; and the spelling of the name was Couper, Cowper, and finally Cooper."

"In the year 1300 nearly one-third of the Englishmen were known either by the name William or John."

From " Genealogy and Surnames," by William Anderson, Edinburgh, 1865, we culled:

"The English names Cooper, Cowper, and Hooper, and the Dutch Kiuper are the same. The name has also been altered to Kuper." (pp.58-59.)

"The surnames derived from rank and occupation are very numerous, but are equally common to England as to Scotland. Of these, in both countries, Smith is the most common name; after which follow, in Scotland, Stewart, Miller, Clark, Taylor, Walker, and Hunter; but in England, after Smith come Taylor, Wright, Walker, Turner, Clark, and Cooper." (p.145.)

In "References to English Surnames in 1601," by F.K. and S.Hitching, we found that Cooper families (so spelled) in that year lived in England at the following places, but, unfortunately, their Christian names are not given:

Stewkley, Buckinghamshire.
Oakingham, Cambridgeshire.
Barnstaple, Devon.
St. Albans Abbey, Hertfordshire.
Brindle and Middleton, Lancashire.
Old Buckenham, Norfolk.
Burton Joyce, Nottinghamshire.
Stocklinch, Somerset.
Barton under Needwood.
Southam, Warwickshire.
Durrington, Wiltshire.
Leeds, Yorkshire.
Ecclesfield, Yorkshire.

"These names of ours," by A.W.Dellquest, yielded the following:

"Cooper, Cowper, Couper. A cooper was one who made barrels, casks, or coops. The Old English cupa also meant a merchant, a tradesman, one who 'coups.' In Scotland the word coup is still used to designate a trade or sale; it is a derivative of the Old Norse (now Icelandic) kaupa."

"London citizens in 1651; being a transcript of Harleian ms.4778, edited with notes and index by J.C.Whitebrook," lists only two Coopers as residents of London in 1651, namely, Thomas Cooper, a carpenter, and William Cooper, a cooper.

In "Directory of Ancestral Heads of New England Families 1620-1700, compiled by Frank R. Holmes," we found (p.lvi):

"Cooper. Occupation surname. The name is also local, from Cupar, a town in Fifeshire, Scotland, which is derived from Cupyre, the enclosed fire, or Co, high, a beacon fire; Pyre, a beacon fire on high, which is the origin of the word pier."

In "The Scotch-Irish," by Charles A. Hanna, we noted (vol.2, p. 418):

"The surnames derived from rank and occupation are very numerous, but are equally common to England as to Scotland. Of these, in both countries, Smith is the most common name. After which follow, in Scotland, Stewart, Miller, Clark, Taylor, Walker, and Hunter; but in England, after Smith come Taylor, Wright, Walker, Turner, Clark, and Cooper."

In vol.2, p.425, Hanna lists, in Scotland:

"Coupar, barony of -- Elphinstone family."

"Coupar. Ayrshire and Fifeshire."

Under the heading "The Scottish Marytyrs" Hanna gives (vol.2,pp. 252-255) a list of banished citizens, which he precedes with the following statement:

"To speak nothing of those whom the cruelty of the persecutors forced to a voluntary exile, of whom there can be no particular account had, besides the six or seven ministers that were banished and went to Holland, and seven or eight country people to France, several others to Barbadoes, before the year 1666." * * * In this list, from "out of the parish of Carnwath," occur the names Thomas Crichton and James Couper.

Also, in addition, we learned that the numerous early Coopers of England had to their credit 29 coats-of-arms! And that the Latin motto of the Cooper coats-of-arms means "Perseverance conquers all things." (This certainly is applicable to Peter Cooper, the philanthropist, the most illustrious member of our clan.)

Net result: The name Cooper (like all family names) was of humble origin, some surnames being derived from the occupation, some from the place of abode, and some from a feat of achievement. Also, that from the beginning the name has been variously spelled in England.

ARRIVAL OF OUR COOPER CLAN.

Whence came our Coopers? And when did they arrive? These are questions not so easy to answer as we had hoped when we started our quest. The following brief historical sketch will explain the reasons why our task has proved long and laborious and has not been crowned with the success we pictured when we enthusiastically embarked upon it.

According to historians the first civilized man to visit Dutchess and Albany Counties, New York, was Henry Hudson, an English seaman, who, after his unsuccessful attempts in 1607 and 1608 to discover, for a London company, a passage to the East Indies, went to Holland and entered the service of the Dutch East India Company. This company fitted out a small ship (the Half Moon) and placed it under the command of Hudson, who, with a crew of twenty men, both Dutch and English, left Amsterdam on April 6, 1609, and reached the coast of Maine, near Portland, on July 18. Later (in 1610) Hudson sailed up the river which now bears his name, as far, it is believed, as where the city of Albany now stands, and then, after reconnoitering, descended the stream. It is said that on this trip he stopped at what is now Fishkill.

The Dutch hastened to take possession of the new land discovered by the English Hudson, under their patronage, and in 1614 they established a factory on Castle Island (now Westerlo Island), called "Fort Nassau." In 1617 they removed to the mainland and called the place "Beverwyck." The first settlers there were eighteen Walloon families (Huguenot refugees from Belgium). In 1624 the first permanent settlement was established and Fort Orange was erected on Steamboat Square in what is now the city of Albany. In 1626 a war with the Mohawk Indians forced a temporary abandonment of the little village. In 1629, however, Killian Van Rensselaer, a wealthy pearl merchant

of Amsterdam, Holland, obtained from the Dutch Government a grant to a large tract of land, on both sides of the Hudson, in the vicinity of what now is Albany. It is said that he never visited this country, but that he named his vast "estate" here "Rensselaerwyck," colonized it with Dutch settlers, to whom he rented the land, and committed the administration of justice and the management of the financial matters pertaining to his possessions to a Commissary General. This is said to have led to chronic disputes over Van Rensselaer's legal rights and jurisdiction, which were not settled until after the ownership of the Dutch settlements in this region was transferred to the English by the conquest of 1664. The name "Beverwyck" was then changed to "Albany," after James II, the Duke of York and Albany. Later Van Rensselaer's descendants lived at Albany and vicinity.

The first church (Protestant Dutch Reformed) of Rensselaerwyck was organized in 1642, and Dominie Johannes Megapolensis was engaged by the colonists to serve six years. This church has flourished since that date, and many notables, as well as humble folk, have worshipped within its doors. With the exception of the Dutch Reformed Church in New York City (which was established in 1623) it is the oldest church in New York State.

By 1665 many English people were living at Albany, so that, on October 12, 1665, John Shutte was appointed by the Governor, Richard Nichols, at Fort James in New York,

"to bee the English Schoolmaster at Albany. And upon condition that the said John Shutte shall not demand any more wages from each Scholar than is given by the Dutch to their Dutch School-masters, I have further granted to the said John Shutte that hee shall bee the onely English Schoolmaster at Albany." ("Annals of Albany," by J. Munsell, vol. 3, p.327.)

Meantime, further down the river English, Huguenot, and Dutch colonists had been slowly arriving and attempting to establish settlements, notwithstanding the open hostilities of the Indians. From the histories of the Hudson River country (of which there are many) we learn that:

Most of the river counties were settled prior to Dutchess (a

County in which we are specially interested), Ulster being the first between New York and Albany to attract settlers. The settlement of that County began at the present site of Rondout, in 1614, but it was soon broken up by Indians, as was the settlement that began there between 1630 and 1640. Before 1660 settlers are said to have located at Kingston and vicinity, but, being attacked by the Indians, a destructive war ensued, in which the Ulster County Indians were nearly exterminated. After that the permanent settlement of Ulster County began.

We also learn that Dutchess County in those days was a wilderness, in most areas heavily wooded, but in places marshy; that it was inhabited by panthers, tigers, and other wild animals, and not considered fit for habitation by the settlers of Ulster County, across the river, who from time to time visited it to ascertain its suitability as a place of abode. The first settlement of Dutchess County is said to date back to 1682, and one Nicholas Emigh to be the first settler. However,Philip H. Smith,in his history of Dutchess Co., relates that a German named Hoffman, who about 1760 was 118 yrs. old and living near Pleasant Valley, supposed himself to be the first settler in Dutchess County. Smith states:

"When young he deserted from a Dutch ship of war in New York, squatted where he then lived, built him a shanty, and lived a number of years a solitary life without being able to find a white woman for a wife, Afterward he found a German family at Rhinebeck, married, and lived where he then was to that advanced age." [The "Counradt Huffman" who in 1776 got into trouble with the authorities at Livingston Manor, Columbia Co., may or may not be a descendant of this Hoffman.]

The Nicholas Emigh mentioned is said to have embarked for America with Robert Livingston about 1672. On shipboard he became acquainted with a pretty Dutch girl from Holstein, and they were married before they touched American shores. Regarding him it is said:

"Unwilling to be a mere retainer of Livingston, he and his young wife went to Fort Orange (now Albany), intending to settle upon an island in the Hudson near that place, within the Manor of Van Rensselaer. But the free spirit of Emigh could not succumb to feudal authority, and in 1682 he started for the unbroken wilderness of Dutchess Co. He settled at the mouth of the Fishkill, and purchased a tract of land. While at Fishkill a daughter was born to them, the first white child born within the limits of Dutchess Co. About 1700 a young man from Holstein, named Peter Lasinck (Lossing), came to Dutchess Co., wedded the young Katrina Emigh, and settled in the present domain of East Fishkill." (They are said to have had 4 sons and 4 daughters.)

This writer, after diligent search, has been unable to ascertain the names of the other infants born in Dutchess County during the 17th century, or the names of the parents. However, tradition says that Obadiah Cooper, tailor of Albany from 1713 to 1742, was the fourth white male child born in that County. Whether Obadiah's father was another primitive "squatter" in Dutchess County is unknown to us. Judging from the histories of that County, however, there very probably was many a settler who in those early days tarried, at least briefly, within its borders whose name failed to reach the record book. According to the history by Smith:

"The next permanent settler [after Emigh] was Peche Dewall, who located at Fishkill Landing. He came there in the spring of 1688. His wife assisted him in clearing the land. **** Emigh and Dewall were almost the only settlers here for many years." [The italics are mine.MGW.]

The earliest recorded land patent in Dutchess County was for a tract of 85,000 acres, which was licensed to Francis Rombout and Gulian Ver Planck in 1682, but the patent was not signed by King James till Oct. 17, 1685, after the death of Ver Planck; so that Stephanus Van Cortland became joined with Rombout in the purchase, while Jacobus Kipp served to represent the children of Ver Planck. This land patent, however, became known as "Rombout's Patent." Rombout had an only child, a daughter named Catharine, who married a man named Roger Brett, and after the death of her father she and her husband settled (in 1710) on the land, but the sale of portions of its thousands of acres to settlers progressed very slowly. Catharine Brett's husband was accidentally killed in 1721, but she ("Madame Brett," as she was

called by the inhabitants) spent the rest of her very useful life there, dying in 1764. She had an only child, Robert Brett, one of whose descendants (George) married Mary, daughter of William, a son of Obadiah the tailor.

The settlement of this part of the Hudson River country progressed so slowly that in 1693 Orange County, across the river, had a population of only 20 families, and was placed under the care of New York, while the population of Dutchess County was so small that it was committed to the care of Ulster County.

The following quotation is from Smith's "History of Dutchess Co.":

"The early inhabitants of Duchess Co. came into the territory without any concert, each family purchasing land independently of the others, and without any previous arrangement for establishing civil or religious organizations."

"The first settlements were made by the Dutch, at Fishkill, and afterwards at Rhinebeck, previous to 1690. A settlement was begun at Poughkeepsie about the year 1700. Along its [Dutchess Co.] river region, French Refugees, called Huguenots, settled, and about the year 1741 New Englanders came into its eastern borders."

Smith also states that in 1713 Dutchess County "was represented in the General Assembly of the Province."

In 1714 a census was taken of all freeholders or heads of families in Dutchess County (which then included Putnam Co.), which showed that of the 445 inhabitants only 11 men and 1 woman were over the age of 60 years, and 89 men were 16 to 60 years. This list does not contain the name Cooper, from which it seems reasonable to conclude that the Obadiah Cooper who according to tradition was the fourth white male born in Dutchess County was an only child and that his father was then deceased, Obadiah himself being listed in the 1713 directory of Albany as located at 150 Washington St, in that village, the street now known as South Pearl St.

Regarding our earliest Cooper forbear in America, Peter Cooper, the philanthropist, one of his descendants, states (in his manuscript of reminiscences digested in "Abram S. Hewitt," by Allan Nevins, p.48):

"Originally there were three brothers by the name of Cooper who came from England about 1662. One of them settled in Fishkill, another in New

Jersey, and the remaining brother on the east end of Long Island. The son of the Cooper who settled in Fishkill, from whom my father descended, tradition reports was the fourth man child born of white parents in Dutchess Co."

Peter Cooper was born in 1791 and died in 1883. His father (John) was born at Fishkill in 1755 and died in 1838. John's father (son of the Alb. tailor) was born in 1720, moved from Albany (where he was born) to Fishkill in 1748 or 1749, and spent the rest of his life at the latter place, dying there in 1776. Undoubtedly Peter Cooper obtained the foregoing information regarding his Cooper progenitor from his father, who, in turn, must have acquired it from his parent, who was a son of Obadiah the tailor of Albany, with whom this bit of genealogy must have originated. Peter's father, as well as his grandfather, are "in the record" as religious men and considered truthful by those who knew them. That Peter did not give the names of the two brothers of his great, great grandfather who arrived "about 1662" is not surprising. He, like most people, probably was not interested in relatives so remote, and it probably never occurred to him to inquire their names; or, if curiosity had prompted him to make the inquiry, it is, for the same reason, doubtful that his father could have enlightened him.

The fact that after the death of **Obadiah the tailor of Albany in** 1742 four of his seven sons one by one removed to Dutchess County,where they spent the rest of their lives, lends strong support to the belief that that County had a special meaning to them. They all settled on farms in "Fishkill," a term that then included a broad area in the southern part of Dutchess County, as shown on the maps of today. John (the oldest son) moved to "Fishkill" about 1744, when about 29 years old; William moved there about the same time, when about 26 years old; Obadiah Jr. moved there late in 1748 or early in 1749, when about 28 years of age; and Cornelius (the youngest) moved there about 1753, at the age of 18 years. Also, the daughter Maria married Evert Wynkoop Swart of Rombout Precinct (which included the Fishkill Towns), and spent the remainder of her life there, while Abraham (the 9th child of Obadiah the tailor) lived and paid taxes there 1757-1759, when he returned to Albany.

Therefore, to the writer it seems entirely probable that the father of Obadiah the tailor may have been an obscure early settler in Dutchess County and that the tradition that Obadiah the tailor was the fourth white male child born in that County may be correct. She has, however, formed the opinion that the father did not arrive as early as 1662, but that he came later, how much later is pure speculation. Also, that he did not settle "in Fishkill" but farther north in the wilderness of Dutchess County, and that he died when his son Obadiah was young. Peter's grandfather Obadiah (who died 16 years before Peter was born) did settle in Fishkill (in 1748 or 1749), and it is quite probable that Peter (at 90, and after his long, laborious and useful life) confused that Obadiah with a more remote ancestor bearing the same name.

Kinderhook (the typical locality of the Gardenier family and first settled about 1640) was many miles down the river from Albany, and in what now is Columbia County. It also was a considerable distance north of Fishkill, Dutchess County, and between the two places, in the southernmost part of Columbia County, was the early established Livingston Manor settlement, already referred to. It therefore appears to the writer that Obadiah the tailor, a young man, apparently alone in the world, quite probably may have followed the trek northward to the more populated areas. That he lived for a while at Kinderhook, where he established friendships with the Gardenier and Van Buren families, is certain. He was married there before July 3, 1713, to Cornelia Gardenier (born 1691). Later that year he is listed in the Albany "City" directory as located at 150 Washington St.

(Concerning the suggestions that have been made by some writers that Obadiah's father may have been an English soldier, or that Obadiah himself may have been either an English soldier or a son of Timothy Cooper, see notes 1, 2, and 3 under "Addenda," p. 146.)

Albany appears to have been a magnet that drew settlers of different nationalities from diverse areas. John Boyd Thacher, Second, states (Dutch Settlers Society Year Book, vol. 2, p.7, 1926):

> "The population of Albany between 1623 and 1642 probably did not exceed twenty-five or thirty people, the larger number being traders. By 1646 the population had increased to about one hundred. A census taken in 1697 shows that there were 1452 people here at that time, but by 1714 the population had dwindled by actual count to 1138 persons of all ages and both sexes, including slaves. This was accounted for by the losses sustained during King William's War, extending from 1689 to 1697. After a short interval of peace, which was scarcely felt in the colony, Queen Anne's War started, continuing from 1702 to 1713."

The following are the only records we have found of earlier settlers in that vicinity who bore the name Cooper or a name that possibly might indicate "Cooper":

A.J.F.Van Lear ("Settlers of Rensselaerwyck 1659-1664," published in Dutch Sett.Soc.Yr.Bk.1929-1930,p.34) mentions a "Cornelis Clopper, who in April 1660 furnished door bolts and other hardware to the Patroon."

Records of First Dutch Ch.Albany, Feb.25,1661: "For the pall of Jan de Cuiper (the cooper), 4 fl."

A.J.F.Van Lear ("Minutes of Court of Albany, Rensselaerwyck, and Schenectady 1668-1673," vol. 1) does not mention any Cooper, Coeper, Cuyper, etc., but on pp. 12-17 mentions Jan de Kuyper "in first defaut" at court of Sept.3-13,1668, in suit against him of Gerrit Swart. (Does not state nature of case or its disposition.)

Dec.30,1674, records of First Dutch Ch.Albany: "Received from Yan de Kuyper 3 schepels of maize for hire of the pall."

"Coll. of Hist. of Albany," by J.Munsell,vol.3,p.120, mentions a document, dated Albany Aug.11,1675, in which reference is made to "the house of Evert Janse Kuyper [Cooper]." (The brackets are in the book cited.)

Albany Co. Clerk's Office, Court Minutes 1675-1684. Minutes of Aug. 24,1675: Present, Governor Andros held court. Mr. Timothy Cooper admitted as a citizen and sworn in. [Other entries record debts and disputed accounts of Timothy Cooper, and the statement that he died in New Jersey before Nov.4,1679.]

Burial records of First Dutch Ch. Albany: "Dec.30,1683. From Evert Janse Kuyper for small pall, 5 sh."

"Annals of Albany," by J.Munsell,vol.2,p.86: At a meeting of the Common Council of Albany on Oct.26,1686, there were present, among others, Jan Andrese Cuyper.

"Annals of Albany," by J.Munsell,vol.3,p.13: "John Anderson Cooper sworn in as surveyor of all the wyehts and measures within the city and county, March 10,1696."

Regarding Obadiah Cooper, who was definitely at Albany in 1713, according to the "City" directory of that year, we find the following information in the Albany City and Albany County records and the records of the First Dutch Reformed Church of Albany:

That the marriage of Obadiah Cooper and Cornelia Gardenier occurred before July 3, 1713, is proved by the appearance of their names ("obedia Cooper and Cornelia Cooper") in the "Partition Deed" in Albany County Book of Deeds No.5, p. 212, for "land and woodland at Kinderhook, lot 4; also a fall on the kill for a water mill; all being 1/5 of the land conveyed to the heirs of Jan Gardenier, deceased, by Andries Huyck." (This document is quoted in full on a later page, in connection with the Third Land Patent.)

Their names appear ("Obedias and Cornelie Couper") in the records of the First Dutch Reformed Church at Albany as witnesses to the baptism there of "Samuel, of Edderd and Josyne Wiele, Dec. 12, 1713." (The parents mentioned in this baptism are evidently Edward "Wieler" (Wheeler) and Josyntie Gardenier, an older sister of Cornelia Gardenier who is recorded as having married "Evert Wiler" in October, 1689.)

The Albany City Directory of 1713 ("Annals of Albany," by J. Munsell, vol.5,1854,p.61) lists Obadiah Cooper as located at 150 Washington Street. (According to Munsell,vol.5,p.270, the name "Washington St." was in 1823 changed to "South Pearl St." Judging from 1945 map of Albany, No. 150 Washington St. would be south of State St. and north of Hudson St.)

"Annals of Albany," by J.Munsell, vol.6,1855,p.117, states:

"The council of appointment being democrats, removed Philip S. Van Rensselaer, who had been the popular mayor of the city during the last 17 years. At a meeting of the common council on the 29th July, 1716, a committee consisting of Messrs. McKown, Cooper, and Van Vechten, was appointed to prepare an address to the mayor, expressive of their disapprobation of the act."

The following quotations are from the Albany city records:

Feb.15,1717/18. "The petition of Obadiah Coeper of this city being read praying to purchase a small lott of ground belonging to ye Comonalty lying on ye south side of this city between ye Lott of Mathews Flensburgh & horse guard blockhouse which ye Comonalty have granted and ordered that ye same shall be measured and have agree that he is to pay for ye said lotts twenty eight pounds." (p.76.)

March 22, 1717-8. "Resolved that Robert Livingston Juhr Esq'r mayor shall on behalf of the Comonalty of the said city sign a release unto Obadiah Coeper for a lott of ground scituate lying and being on ye south side of ye sd city for ye consideration of £28 and ordered ye seale of ye said city be thereto affixed and the same to be entered on ye publick records." (p.77.)

According to Munsell's "Collections," vol. 4, History of Albany, map on page 220, the land referred to above was on the corner of Plain (now Green) St. and Spanish (now Hudson) St. in the city of Albany. It was Lot No. 1 on Green St., 90 feet deep along Hudson St., and adjoined

at rear Lot No. 6, of Frederick Myndertse.

The Albany City Records (vol.8,pp.235-6) contain the following item:

"Obediah Cooper petitions Common Council,July 14,1719, desires the Comonalty to dispose unto him a certain spot of ground behind his lot which the Comonality have taken in consideration & do grant unto him the privilege to use ye sd spot of ground until such time as they shall dispose of ye same and he shall have the refuzall thereof."

In Albany County Book of Deeds No. 7, page 350, occurs the following:

"Obadiah Cooper and wife Cornelia to Jacob A. Gardenier, May 16, 1721. Right, title, etc., to 1/5 of land near Pompponeeck both sides Klynekill." ["Columbia County at the end of the century" states (p.438): "Jacob, Aaron, and Derrick Gardenier lived along the Kline Kill, in what has been always called the Gardenier neighborhood."]

"Annals of Albany," by Joel Munsell, states (p.38 of vol.9,1858) that Obadia Cooper was appointed Fire Master of the First Ward, Albany, Nov.19,1728. (If appointed they had to serve or pay a fine of 30 shillings. All good citizens were expected to take their turn at this public service, including the "higher ups.")

Obadiah Cooper is listed as a freeholder of the First Ward of Albany in 1742, the year he died, and also in 1720.

The records of the First Dutch Reformed Church of Albany (the church attended by Theodore Roosevelt when Governor of New York) state that Obadiah Cooper was buried from that church on May 6, 1742. Also that in 1748 Cornelia, his widow, was owner of seat No. 63 in that church. ("Collections," by J. Munsell, vol.1,p.71.) Also that on Dec.4,1748, she and her son Thomas were sponsors at the baptism of Cornelia, the first child born to her son Jacob and his wife Josina "Orchard" (Archer). (Pearson and others have recorded Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper's death as April 17,1748, but that is an error. The "wife of Obadiah Cooper" who was buried on that day was Maria Fonda, the wife of Cornelia's son Obadiah.)

When Obadiah Cooper the tailor died in 1742 he left 12 children, 7 sons and 5 daughters, the youngest child (his son Cornelius) born in 1735.

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So much for the "records" -- woefully incomplete and inconclusive-- which leave us to announce, regretfully, that, after long and diligent search, we have failed to <u>prove</u> (1) the date of the birth of the "4th white male child born in Dutchess County"; (2) the Christian name of the father of that child; (3) the part of England from which our original ancestor and his two brothers came; and (4) the names of the two brothers. Nor do we know the length of time those three brothers, one or all, may have tarried on Long Island or elsewhere before moving westward in their search for a favorable place in which to establish homes. Our failures are not surprising. It would, however, be surprising to find "in the record" the comings and goings of all the humble folk who in the 17th century sought these shores in search of Freedom and Opportunity. That the sailing lists of those early days "are very imperfect, and embrace only a small proportion of the ships and the passengers that came over before 1700" must be admitted by any one who has studied those now in existence.

It is also a regret to have failed to prove (1) the exact date of the marriage of Obadiah Cooper and Cornelia Gardenier; (2) the date of her death; and (3) the dates of baptism of their three older children, namely, Annatje (who married Evert Lansing), John (who married Elizabeth Gardenier), and Thomas (who married Elizabeth Van Buren). Regarding our failure to establish the date of this marriage it may be stated that although the Dutch Reformed Church at Kinderhook (the earliest church there or in its vicinity outside of Albany City) is said to have been established in 1712 its records do not begin till 1717, and these records are very meager, as are the records of the Justices, who also performed marriages in Old Kinderhook in the early days but who are said to have been lax about recording all of their official acts.

Pondering over our failure to prove that our early Cooper forbear was English, as family tradition from "way back" has insisted, we have derived satisfaction from the following statement by an eminent archivist:

> "Offhand I would say that he probably was an Englishman, as the name of the Hebrew prophet Obadiah is hardly ever used in Holland, and the names of persons whose names appear in the records of Albany without a middle name or patronymic were generally English.
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> "Obadiah Cooper may have come directly from England. If so, it would be very difficult to find a clue to his parentage without knowing the year of his arrival and the place of his origin."

Also, in the family bible of Peter Cooper's paternal grandfather (Obadiah Cooper, Jr., of Fishkill, who was a son of Obadiah the tailor of Albany) was found additional evidence that Obadiah Cooper was of English descent. This old bible bears the printed date of publication "Anno 1738." The first entry on leaf 1 recto, written in ink, reads:

> "1746. Obadeya Cooeper
> Sinboccok Jnathane."

Beneath that entry is the following:

> "1743. den 4 mert [March] Is getrout [married] obadeya coeper met mareya fonda."

This is followed by the date of birth of their first child (Cornelia), date of birth and death of their son Peter, and date of death of his wife, Maria Fonda. The next page records date of his own birth (1720), date of birth of Esther Terbos (his second wife), date of his marriage to her, and births of their 8 children. Subsequent pages record births, marriages, and deaths of their children.

The names "Sinboccok" and "Jnathane," recorded in ink by Obadiah the son of the Albany tailor on leaf one recto of this bible in 1746 (apparently the date he purchased the bible) undoubtedly refer to ancestors of the original Obadiah Cooper. The misspelled name "Sinboccok" apparently belongs with the following group of ancient and obsolete Christian names, which, according to established authorities, are Anglo Saxon: Saebert, Seabert, Seaxbald, Seaxbert, Seaxbuhr, Sibald, Sibbald, Singebeald, Sindbeorht, and Sindperht.

Therefore, although this old bible does not settle the question that has been raised of the name of the father of Obadiah the tailor of Albany, it confirms the family tradition that he was English.

Quite possibly the absence of any written word on the subject of his ancestry (his father died in 1742) may have led Obadiah the son (born in 1720) to, in 1746, purchase the bible, and to record in it the vital statistics of his own progeny and as much as he knew about his own ancestry. (But, parenthetically, he forgot to record the names of his own father and mother! However, his first child was named for his mother (Cornelia) and his second son (first child of his second wife) was named Obadiah. His first son (Peter), who died in infancy, was the child of his first wife, and was named for her father, Peter Fonda, of Albany, who was sponsor at the child's baptism.)

Incidentally, in the 1794 legal document quoted on page 38 of this volume the tailor of Albany is referred to as Obadiah O. Cooper, as is also his son Obadiah, the grandfather of Peter the philanthropist.

The following other scraps of evidence from the Past tend to confirm the family tradition that Obadiah the tailor of Albany was of English descent. But, being friends and neighbors of the Dutch settlers, intermarrying with them, and participating with them in the Revolutionary struggle for Freedom, their original nationality became, apparently, a matter of small concern to Obadiah and his children. However:

1. Many descendants of his son Abraham (who married a Dutch girl) well understood that their Cooper forbear was English.
2. Thomas Cooper's only son (Obadiah) married Annatje Vandenburg, according to the Church records, but that she was Hannah to him is evidenced by the fact that Hannah is the name on her headstone. (He survived her by several years.)
3. Altho the name of the 10th child of Obadiah the tailor appears in the Dutch Church records as "Maria" (one of the many names used by the Dutch instead of the English Mary) this child called herself Mary in her will.
4. Altho the first child of Obadiah the tailor is in the records as Annatje (a name employed by the Dutch in place of the English Anna and Hannah) she was known (at least to her sister Mary) as Hannah, according to Mary's will.

Notwithstanding that our laborious delvings have failed to yield the proof we sought of the name and birthplace of our earliest Cooper progenitor, they have imbued us with the conviction that Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany came of "good stock," that he lived a good life, waged a good fight for an honest livelihood in those strenuous early days, and, apparently, that he left his little corner of the earth better for having lived. He reared 12 children, the descendants of all of whom may, according to our researches, refer to them, and to him, with complaisance. Therefore we are content with the well-known family tradition that he was English, that he was said to have been the fourth white male child born in Dutchess County, and with the bits of evidence we have gathered that confirm his English ancestry. We are wont to consider these traditions (which have been put into print by his illustrious great grandson Peter Cooper the philanthropist) as of more value than any speculations in which we, or any one else, may indulge regarding the name of Obadiah's father or the part of England whence his father came. Well-deserved volumes have been written about Peter Cooper, so

that anything this writer might attempt would be superfluous. She is, however, moved to insert here, for the benefit of those who may not have ready access to those volumes, the following page, clipped from "The Makers of New York," a book published more than 50 years ago.

MAKERS OF NEW YORK.

PETER COOPER.

PETER COOPER, the builder of the first American locomotive and one of the most notable of American philanthropists, was a native of New York City, being born there February 12, 1791. His grandfather and father had both served in the Revolutionary War. His father was not successful in business, and the boy had but one year of poor schooling, being kept busy by his father at hat- and brick-making and ale-brewing. At the age of seventeen he was apprenticed to Mr. Woodward, a coach-builder, and here not only distinguished himself for industry and integrity, but constructed a machine for mortising wheel-hubs which proved very profitable to his employer.

At the end of his apprenticeship Mr. Woodward offered to start him in business, but he declined, and entered upon the manufacture of cloth-shearing machines at Hampstead, Long Island. He afterwards successively became cabinet-maker, grocer, and glue-maker, the latter proving profitable. He did not, however, confine his business to the glue manufacture, but in 1828 purchased three thousand acres of land at Canton, a suburb of Baltimore, for $105,000, and erected there large iron-works, to which he subsequently added a rolling-mill. The building of railroads had then begun, and locomotives had been imported, but the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, then under construction, was believed to be unfitted, by reason of its short curves, to these imported engines. Mr. Cooper's inventive powers were enlisted to meet this emergency, and in 1830 he produced the first American-built locomotive. This, which was built from his own designs, proved capable of overcoming the difficulty, and rescued the company from a very awkward emergency. It was called the "Tom Thumb," and on its trial trip ran thirteen miles in fifty-seven minutes.

Soon after this success Mr. Cooper sold his iron-works in Baltimore, but two years afterwards built others in New York, which, after leasing for a time, he took under his own management. Here he produced wire, and successfully used anthracite coal in iron-puddling. In 1845 he removed his works to Trenton, where they grew in time into an extensive establishment, with subsidiary furnaces in other places. For many years he employed over two thousand five-hundred workmen. During his business career he invented a number of useful devices.

and among his business enterprises was an active interest in telegraphy, of which he had been an early advocate and promoter. About 1855 he became president of the American Telegraph Company, and took part in the first effort to lay a cable across the Atlantic, while he assisted liberally the subsequent efforts.

In his later life his benevolent instincts developed into a resolve to assist the youth of the coming time to procure the advantages of education which had been denied to himself. He consequently purchased the lots between Third and Fourth Avenues and Seventh and Eighth Streets, New York, and in 1853 began to build there the brownstone edifice known as the Cooper Union. When completed the building had cost $634,000. To this Mr. Cooper added other donations in aid of his purposes, which were the establishment of free schools in various arts and sciences, free reading-rooms, free courses of scientific lectures, etc. The institution has proved of the highest educational value.

Politically, Mr. Cooper in his later life advocated the principles held by the Greenback party, and in 1876 was nominated by this party for the Presidency, receiving eighty-one thousand votes. In private life he was modest, affable, unassuming, and public-spirited, and was always noted for charity and generosity. He died in New York, April 4, 1883.

BACKGROUND OF CORNELIA (GARDENIER) COOPER.

Having summarized the material we have collected bearing upon the origin of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of early Albany, let us turn to the origin of Cornelia Gardenier, the girl he married.

Jacob Janse Gardenier, the first of that name to arrive here, was of Huguenot ancestry, and came from Kampen, Holland, in 1637. He sailed on the "Herring," which reached New Amsterdam (New York City) on March 28, 1638. That year also found him in what was then called Albany County, where he spent the rest of his life. He is recorded as a carpenter at Beverwyck (the early name of Albany) in 1638, as the owner of a saw and grist mill at Greenbush in 1647, and as the lessee of a mill at Bethlehem, Albany County, in 1654. Kinderhook, however, was early regarded as the home of the Gardeniers, according to historians. Jacob Janse Gardenier is said to have "originally been a famous gardener, whence possibly his later surname," and also to "have incurred the displeasure of the Patroon [Killian Van Rensselaer] by demanding higher wages than he thought proper." (See p.89 of "History of Old Kinderhook," by Edward A. Collier, D.D.) His first wife (whose name was Joysna or Josina) bore him 8 children, the oldest of whom (named Jan Jacobse or Jacob) was born about 1648 and became the father of Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper. Besides Jan Jacob the following children were born to Jacob Janse and Josina Gardenier: Aeltie (b. about 1650), Albert (b. about 1656), Andries (b. about 1658, and d. 1717), Hendrick (b. about 1660 and d. 1694), Josina (b. about 1662), Samuel (b. about 1664 and d. 1740), and Elizabeth (b. about 1666 and d. 1740).

The Dutch Reformed Church at Albany was organized in 1642, but the church at Kinderhook was not established till many years later. Before its establishment there is said to have been a "preaching station" at Kinderhook, under the supervision of the Albany church. Regarding the

early records of the Kinderhook church the following is quoted from "Old Kinderhook," by Rev. E. A. Collier:

"The Kinderhook church records begin with 1716 [1717]. The records of baptisms and marriages, with the exception of those of a few years which are missing or possibly not made when there was no resident pastor, are complete down to the present time."

"The first and for many years the only Marriage Record in the town [Kinderhook] begins in 1717. Before that time and for eleven years thereafter, until the first pastor came, baptisms and marriages here [Kinderhook], with only a few exceptions, were recorded in the register of the Albany church, whose pastors rendered occasional service in this place."

Like many "Old Timers" Jacob Janse Gardenier found it pleasant, or convenient, to sometimes employ an alias. The one he selected was "Jacob Janse Flodder." In referring to this alias Rev. Edward A. Collier states ("History of Old Kinderhook," pp.89-90):

"Happily no discredit is implied to the alias, for it was not uncommon for a man to have two or even three names, either of which he would use with charming inconsistency as his mood might be. This Flodder then was no other than Jacob Janse Gardenier, one of the ancestors of many families of that name long and honorably known in Kinderhook and Schodack."

The Dutch Settlers Society of Albany (Year Book 1932-1934) records the following burials at the First Dutch Reformed Church at Albany:

June 29,1666. Received from Jacob Flodder for the small pall, 5 fl.
Jan. 28,1669. Received from Jacob Jansz Flodder for the large pall when his wife was buried, 2 schepels of wheat, 10 fl.
Jan.18,1674. Given to the widow of Hans de Backer (Hans Coenraetsen, from Nuremberg, Bavaria) a winding sheet, costing one beaver. Paid for the beaver in seawan 17 fl. [A footnote to this entry states: "His wife was Barentje Stratsman. Shortly after his death she married Jacob Jansen Gardenier."]

Thus from these early records we learn that Josina, the first wife of Jacob Janse Gardenier, was buried January 28, 1669, and that in 1674 he married the widow Barentje Stratsman, who is recorded as having borne him five more children. He is said to have lived until 1688. The burial records of the First Dutch Reformed Church of Albany (Dutch Settlers Society of Albany, vol. 7, p.11) also contain the fol-

lowing item of interest to his descendants:

> "Nov.11,1680. Jacob Jansen Gardenier donated to the deaconry the coffin for Tys Barents, deceased."

Jacob Janse Gardenier evidently aspired to become a large land owner, and in 1666, under his alias of Jacob Jansé Flodder, he joined Capt. John Baker in the purchase, from the Indians, of a large tract of land near Fort Albany. The date of this purchase is given in Albany Land Patents as March 18,1666, and the consideration as "one blanket, one axe, three hoes, two bars of lead, three handfuls of powder, one knife, and one kettle." Shortly after this purchase Governor Nicolls issued to Captain John Baker and Jacob Jansen Flodder a patent for the tract purchased. This land patent, which bears the date April 15, 1667 (Land Patents, vol. 2, p. 244), became known as the Third Patent and led to long-continued court litigation, because of the conflict of its described boundaries with the boundaries described in a later patent, which became known as the Fourth Patent. (Parenthetically: Regarding Captain Baker Collier states:

> "Baker (of the Baker and Flodder patent), the Albany records reveal, was at one time Deputy Governor of Albany, and in 1669 he sold his house there to Wynant Gerritse Vanderpool, an ancestor of our Vanderpool families.")

Additional information regarding this Land Patent is given on later pages. Meantime we will return to the genealogy of the Gardenier family.

Jan Jacobse (Jacob) Gardenier, the oldest son of Jacob Janse Gardenier, married Sarah Van Bremen (daughter of Jost Jan Dirksee Van Bremen, whose parents are said to have settled at Albany in 1631), and to them were born the following children:

> Josyntje. b. abt. 1670; m. (1st banns 10,13,1689, Holland Soc. Year Book 1904) Evert Willer, y.m. [young man] of New England. [Josyntje's residence is given as Kinderhook. The old church records and official records of Albany County spell the family name of the bridegroom in various ways -- Wieler, Wiler, Whielor, and Whielaor. The correct spelling is said ("The Waterman Family") to be Wheeler.]

Alida. b. abt.1674; m.8,13,1699, by Pieter Vosburg, Justice at Kinderhook, to Jan Fyn, widower. (Holland Soc. Yr. Bk.1904.)
Arriaantje. b.abt. 1678; m. at Kinderhook 5,19,1702, to John Woodcock, of Yorkshire, Old England. (Holland Soc. Yr. Bk.1904.)
Jacob. b.12,22,1681; m.11,4,1714, to Cornelia vander Schuive,wid. of Antony Bassaleyn. (Holland Soc.Yr.Bk.1904.)
Helena. bp.2,13,1687.
Jan. bp.5,12,1689, sponsors Maas Corneliez and Rebecca Jeroons. (Holland Soc. Yr.Bk.1904.)
Cornelia. bp.10,11,1691, sponsors Jacob Ten Eyk and Aaltje Oothout (Holland Soc.Yr.Bk.1904.); m. Obadiah Cooper before 7,3,1713.

Jan Jacob Gardenier is listed as a freeholder at Kinderhook in 1687. He died in middle life, but the exact date of his death has not been ascertained. It occurred, however, at some time between the birth of his youngest child (Cornelia) in 1691 and the remarriage of his widow to Jacob Bastiaansz De Wit, a widower, on 9, 10, 1695. (Holland Soc. Yr. Bk. 1904.) His will (dated 9,24 or 9,29, 1689) disposes of his estate in the following manner:

All to wife Sara till children come of age; then one-third to eldest son Jacob, aged 8 years on 22 Dec. next, my father's portion which I do expect, lying on Skotak, with a good horse; and to eldest daughter Josyntje Gardenier half of a pelates; all to be divided among the six children. Translated from Dutch wills old series, v.1, p.32, Albany. [See "The Waterman Family," vol. 1. Cornelia, the seventh child, was born after the date of this will.]

On June 21 or June 24, 1696 (figure illegible) Sara Gardenier, of Albany County, was granted administration of the estate of her late husband Jan Jacobse Gardenier.

Returning to the land patent granted to Captain John Baker and Jacob Jansen Flodder in 1667. Two years after the issuance of that (the Third) patent, Baker's interest was assigned to Flodder, who died about 1688. Page 212 of Book V of Deeds of Albany County (in Albany County Court House at Albany) contains the following:

TO ALL CHRISTIAN PEOPLE to Whom this prsent writing Shall Come Jacob Gardanier Edward whielaor Jesina whielaor John woodcok arejantie woodcoks obedia Cooper & Cornelia Cooper Children and heires of Jan Gardanier Late of Kinderhook in the County of Albany in the province of new york Deceased Sends Greeting

Know Yee that for Divers Reafons and Considerations us hereunto moveing have given granted Demifed and Released and by these prsents doth fully freely and absolutely give grant Demife and Release unto Jan Gardanier Sonn & one of the heires of the Said Deceased all that parcell of Land and woodland Scituate Lyeing & being at Kinderhooke aforesaid being the Lott no. 4. So as the Same is bounded & devided amongst the said Childeren & heires (of) Jan Gardanier deceased as aforesaid Relation thereunto had may more fully & at Large appeard together with the fall over the kill for building & arrecting a mill or mills with the oarchard thereunto belonging being the full fifth part of the land and premifes conveyed by andries Huyck unto the said heires of ye said Jan Gardanier as aforesaid Deceased Relation thereunto had may more fully and at Large appear TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the afore-mentioned Lott of Land and woodland oarchard and fall water course withall and singular the priviledges and advantages thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Jan Gardanier his heires and afsigns to the only proper use benefitt and behoofe of him the said Jan Gardanier his heires & afsigns for ever in His and theire quiett peaceable pofsefion Zeiron [?] and Enjoyment for ever

In Testimony whereof the Said Jacob Gardanier Edward whielaer Jesina whielaer John woodcok arejaentie woodcok obedia Cooper & Cornelia Cooper have hereunto put tjeire hands and seales In Albany this 3d day of July In the Twelfth year of her majeses Reign annoy Dom. 1713 was Signd

Jacob his 1¢ mark Gardanier (LS)

Edward his ⌐ mark whielaer (LS)

Jesina her ___ mark whielaer (LS)

John his I mark woodcook (LS)

Signed Sealed & Delivered arejaentie her ⊓ mark woodcook (LS)

In the prsence of us obedia his Co mark Cooper (LS)

Cornelia her X mark Cooper (LS)

Coenraet Borghghaerat
Tho: Williams

On June 6, 1774, Johannes (Jan) Gardenier (the brother of Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper) assigned to John Cooper, Obadiah Cooper [Jr.], and Jacob Cooper (sons of Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper) all his right,

title, and interest in the foregoing described property.

On March 4, 1777, John Cooper (oldest son of Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper) petitioned the "Hon ble the Convention of the State of New York" as follows ("History of Old Kinderhook," by Rev. Edward E. Collier) :

> That he "has the sole right and property in said lands vested in him and his heirs by virtue of a conveyance and power of attorney which he has honestly obtained from the heir at law; that hé can now prove the bounds of said lands by several ancient persons whose decease might here-after cause him to loose his right thereto." He therefore prayed for the appointment of "some proper person or persons to examine the said ancient evidences, that the same may be recorded and your petitioner freed from the great risque of losing the benefit arising therefrom in any future Court of Justice, Either of Law or Equity."

Collier makes the following comment on the foregoing petition:

"Had it been granted, much vexatious litigation might have been prevented, but this petition seems to have been in vain."

John Cooper (the oldest son of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany and Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper) was married at Kinderhook October 2, 1734, to Elizabeth Gardenier, who was the mother of his two oldest children. They moved to Fishkill, Dutchess County, about 1744, and there he spent the rest of his life, as a tailor and farmer. His will (dated July 1, 1790) was probated at the office of the Surrogate of Dutchess County, at Poughkeepsie, on October 15, 1791. In it he refers to this land patent and states that he has leased some of the land and has tried, at great cost, to "recover" more of it. John's brother Obadiah Jr., one of the assignees mentioned by Jan Gardenier, moved to Fishkill about 1748 and died there on April 21, 1776, but the brother Jacob lived (at Bethlehem) until 1813.

The following quotation is from Collier's "History of Old Kinderhook":

> "Singularly, a deed recorded in Hudson (Deed book ZZ, p.461) in 1854 , given by Esther Bird and others, of Newark, N.J., to Shepard C. Keith of the same place, gives additional details concerning this Patent.
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> "After describing the property in the terms of the original Grant of 1667, as recorded in the Secretary of State's office (Patents, 2d

Series, Liber 2, p.65) it goes on to say 'being the same premises described in the conveyance made by one Walthansett to John Baker and Jacob Jansen Flodder bearing date the 18th day of March, 1666, and being the same premises described in the conveyance made by Johannes Gardenier to John Cooper, Obadiah Cooper, Jacob Cooper, bearing date the 6th day of June, 1774.'"

So much for the legality of the Fourth Patent over the Third Patent!

Cornelia proved to be a favorite name with the descendants of Obadiah and Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper, and evidently the mother who bore the name was beloved by her children. With one exception each of her four daughters who grew to maturity and married had a daughter christened Cornelia; the exception was her daughter Maria, whose only child was a son. Each of her seven sons except Thomas (whose two daughters died in infancy) had a daughter christened Cornelia, and Thomas had a granddaughter and at least two great granddaughters who bore the name. Her son Jacob had not only a daughter named Cornelia but at least two granddaughters named Cornelia. Her son Abraham had a daughter, three granddaughters, and at least one great granddaughter named Cornelia. Her daughter Annatje (who married Evert Lansing) had a daughter, two granddaughters, and seven great granddaughters who were christened Cornelia. Her daughter Sarah (who married James Parker Van Benthuysen) had a daughter and two granddaughters who were christened Cornelia. Her daughter Elizabeth (who married Abraham Jacobse Lansing) had a daughter and a granddaughter who were christened Cornelia.

It is a regret that we have not been able to establish the date of the death of Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper, or whether she remarried. Pearson and others have recorded the date of her death as 4,17,1748,but that is an error. The "wife of Obadiah Cooper" who (D.R.Ch.Alb.) was buried on that date was Maria Fonda, wife of Cornelia's son Obadiah.

CHILDREN BORN TO OBADIAH AND CORNELIA (GARDENIER) COOPER AND ORIGIN OF THEIR BAPTISMAL NAMES.

The suggestions presented below regarding the probable origin of the baptismal names of the children of Obadiah and Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper are based upon the assumption that then, as now, the mater of the family had a lot to say about the naming of her offspring.

Annatje (Hannah). b. abt. 1714. As there is no record of this Dutch name or its English equivalents (Ann, Anna, and Hannah) in the Gardenier family, it is assumed that this child was named for a Dutch friend of Cornelia Gardenier. Were the baptismal records available they might afford a clue as to its origin, from the names of her sponsors. The man Annatje married (Evert Lansing) was Dutch, and the name Annatje occurred frequently in his family and was perpetuated among her own descendants. Her sister Maria (Cooper) Swart, however, in her will designated her as Hannah. What her brothers and other sisters called her is unknown.

John. b. abt. 1715. Probably named for his mother's father or her older brother, although John was then, as now, a popular English name.

Thomas. b. abt. 1717. May have been named for Thomas Wheeler (bp. Alb. D.R.Ch. 1,5,1700), a son of Cornelia's older sister Josyntje Gardenier, who in 1689 married Edward Wheeler ("Evert Wieler" of early records). Or, he may have been named for some friend of Obadiah Cooper. Unfortunately the baptismal records have not been found; they might afford a clue. Thomas, however, was then, as now, a popular English name.

William. bp. First Dutch Ref. Ch. Alb. 10,5,1718. The name William does not appear among the early Gardeniers. The sponsors at the baptism of this child were Cornelis and Jacomyn Maassen (Van Buren). The name William was then, as now, a popular name among both the English and the Dutch.

Obadiah. bp. First Dutch Ch. Alb. 10,9,1720. Apparently named for his father. The sponsors at his baptism were Jan and Rebecca Maassen (Van Buren).

Sarah. bp. First Dutch Ch. Alb. 10,21,1722. Apparently named for her grandmother Sarah (Van Bremen) Gardenier. The sponsors at her baptism were Isaac and Alida Fonda.

Elizabeth. bp. First Dutch Ch. Alb. 8,23,1724. The sponsors at her baptism were John and Elizabeth Van Ostrander. She probably was named for the latter, although Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper's father had a sister Elizabeth (born 1666) and Cornelia also had a young niece Elizabeth (bp. 6,23,1718), the daughter of her older sister Josyntie Gardenier, who married Edward Wheeler ("Evert Wieler" and "Evert Willer" of old records). Elizabeth was also a popular English name.

Jacob. bp. First Dutch Ch. Alb. 4,17,1726. Probably named for Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper's grandfather (Jacob Janse Gardenier) or for her older brother Jacob (b. 12,22,1681), although the sponsors at this baptism were Jacob Maassen (Van Buren) and Sarah Gardenier.

Abraham. bp.First Dutch Ref.Ch.Alb. 2,21,1728. This good old biblical name was popular with the Dutch settlers of the Albany region, although the dominies usually abbreviated it to Abram in their church records. It has not been found among the records of the early Gardeniers, who were of Huguenot ancestry. It does, however, occur in later generations of that family, and it is found among the Van Bremens, one of whose daughters (Sarah) was the mother of Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper. The Holland Society Year Book 1904, p.4, lists Abraham Van Breemen and Marretje Van Breemen as members of the Church of Jesus Christ at New Albany in 1683. The sponsors at the baptism of Abraham Cooper were Claes and Antie Fonda, but the sponsors for the next child (Maria) of Obadiah and Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper were Abraham and Alida Van Arnhem.

Maria (Mary). b.11,1,1729; bp.First Dutch Ref.Ch.Alb.11,9,1729, sponsors Abraham and Alida Van Arnhem. According to "Annals of Albany," by J.Munsell,vol.3,p.57, the Dutch residents of Albany used the following names as the equivalent of the English Mary:

Maria, Mariken, Marritje, Marytje, Maartje, and Maaike. Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper's older sister Josyntje (Josina) Gardenier,who married Edward Wheeler, had a daughter Marietje baptized at the First Dutch Ch. at Albany 6,26,1698, the sponsors being Jan Fondaas and Marretje Fondas. Maria Cooper, however, (who married Evert Wynkoop Swart of Rombout Precinct, Dutchess Co.), employed the English form Mary, according to her will (dated 2,21,1787,and probated at Poughkeepsie, N.Y., 7,7,1792).

Cornelia. bp.First Dutch Ref.Ch.Alb. 6,6,1733, sponsors Douwen Jr.and Elizabeth Fonda; buried from same church 3,29,1748. Apparently named for her mother, Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper.

Cornelius. b.11,26,1735; bp. First Dutch Ref.Ch.Alb. 12,10,1735,sponsors Johs. and Anna Hun. The good old English name Cornelius is not found in the lists of early Gardeniers, but the following list of sponsors at the baptisms of early Gardenier children appears to give a clue to the origin of the name of this (the youngest) child of Obadiah and Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper:

"Ann.Alb.," by J.Munsell,vol.3:

p.284. Lysbeth Gardenier and Albert Rykman were sps.at bp.of Cornelis of Maas Cornelis*,1684.

p.285. Aaltje Gardenier and Maas Cornelis*were sps. at bp.of Jannetje of Lucas Pieters,1684.

p.292. Rebecca Jeroons and Maas Cornelis*were sps.at bp.of Jan of Jans Jacob Gardenier,1689.

p.302. Maas Cornelis*and Altje Gardenier were sps.at bp.of Josina of Samuel Gardenier and Helena Dirks, 1691.

p.303. Cornelis Claas Vandenberch was one of sps. at bp.of Hendrik of Hendrik Gardenier and Neeltje Claas, 1694.

p.326. Cornelis Maase*and Catelyntje Dingmans were sps. at bp.of Samuel of Samuel Gardenier and Leena Dirkse By, 1704.

p.333. Cornelis Maasse*and Geertruy Maasse*were sps.at bp.of Helena of Eduward Whieller and Josina Gardenier, 1706.

Holland Soc.Year Book 1904:

March 23,1690. Maas Cornelisz*was sp.at bp. of Dirk of Samuel Gardenier.

Dec.31,1693. Maas Cornelisz*and Aaltje Gardenier were sps. at bp. of Josina of Samuel Gardenier and Helena Dirksz.

*See footnote on next page.

*Regarding the names of sponsors given in the foregoing table, the following statements are quoted from pages 92 and 93 of "Old Kinderhook," by Rev. E. A. Collier:

"The list of freeholders of the Kinderhook Patent of 1686 well illustrates the frequent omission of surnames. In many cases they had none, but assumed them in later years."

"Martin Cornelissen's surname was Van Buren. He was a son of Cornelis Maas Van Buren and Catalyntje Martense, sister of Jan Martense (the wever) Van Alstyne. Martin's will mentions his wife Maritje, his children, Cornelius, Peter, Martin, Maria, Catalina, Magdalena, and grandchildren. He was the great grandfather of President Van Buren."

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HOME AND FAMILY OF OBADIAH COOPER THE TAILOR.

As already explained, the home of Obadiah Cooper the tailor was located at the corner of Green and Hudson Streets in the city of Albany, the land having been purchased by him from the city in 1717. Having acquired no direct information on the subject, imagination has been permitted to play for a moment upon the way of life of Obadiah and Cornelia at Albany in those remote days. It seems possible that Obadiah may have used the ground-floor front room of their abode as his place of business, and that Cornelia and the many children born to them may have held sway over the rest of the house -- if, indeed, the youngsters did not sometimes overflow into the business part of the establishment. But, this suggestion regarding their way of life may be doing them an injustice. Perhaps Cornelia and the "chilluns" held sway over the whole house and Obadiah (for the protection of his customers and his products) may have had his tailor shop elsewhere. Two centuries having passed since they dwelt there, there appears to be no one who can enlighten us on this subject.

Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany died intestate, so far as the records of the Albany Surrogate's Office show, and hence there is no will enumerating his children and their places of residence, nor is there record of any Letters of Administration of his estate. At the time of his death (May, 1742) three of his children were married and doubtless living in homes of their own, as follows:

Annatje, b. about 1714; m. about 1735 to Evert Lansing; they settled in Schodack, where they spent their lives.
John, b. about 1715; m. to Elizabeth Gardenier of Kinderhook 10, 2,1734; moved to Fishkill about 1744.
Sarah, bp.10,21,1722; m.2,6,1741, to James Parker Van Benthuysen of Albany, where they spent their lives.

Thus, at the time of Obadiah's death the members of his family residing in his home apparently included the following:

Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper, his widow, aged about 52 yrs. (b.10, 11,1691).

Son Thomas, aged about 25 yrs., but who was m. later in 1742 (Oct. 4) to Elizabeth Van Buren, and probably they established a home of their own, although Thomas may have continued to live at the family home and to assist in carrying on his father's business, for the benefit of the family. All records found indicate that he spent his entire life in Albany, where he died, a widower, in 1801, at the home of his only child (Obadiah T., who was bp. 11,6,1743).

Son William, aged about 23 or 24 yrs., but who was m. 10,30,1743, to Sarah Schutt, and who was living in Fishkill 9,2,1744, according to Church records.

Son Obadiah Jr., aged about 22 yrs., but who was m. 3,4,1743, to Maria Fonda of Albany, and probably he then established a home of his own. She d. at Albany 4,15,1748. After her death he moved to Fishkill, where he spent the rest of his life.

Son Jacob, aged about 16 yrs., who late in 1747 or early in 1748 was m. to Josina "Orchard" (Archer). He bought a large farm at Bethlehem, Albany Co., where his family was reared and where he spent the rest of his life.

Son Abraham, aged about 14 yrs., and who in 1751 m. Catharina Ostrander. He continued to live in Albany until her death in 1766, when he moved to Schodack.

Daughter Elizabeth, aged about 18 yrs., and who was m.5,20,1744, to Abraham Jacobse Lansing of Albany, where they spent their lives.

Daughter Maria, aged about 13 yrs., and who later m. Evert Wynkoop Swart of Rombout Precinct, Dutchess Co., where she spent the rest of her life.

Daughter Cornelia, aged 9 yrs., who was buried 3,29,1748,aged 14 yrs. and 3 mos.

Son Cornelius, aged 7 years, who moved to Fishkill when about 18 yrs. old, and there he spent the rest of his life.

Below are listed the dates of death of the children of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany, so far as they have been ascertained:

Annatje (Hannah). Born abt. 1714. Was living in 1787, but died before 1793, as a 1793 pencil note on church record book reads "dead."

John. Born about 1715. Will (dated 7,1,1790) was recorded at Poughkeepsie 11,23,1791.

Thomas. Born about 1717. Buried at Albany Church 2,23,1801.

William. Bp.10,5,1718. Died at Fishkill in 1761. (Will,dated 4,29 ,1760, was probated at Albany 4,18,1761.)

Obadiah Jr. Bp.10,9,1720. Died at Fishkill 4,21,1776, but his will (dated 9,13,1774) was not probated at Poughkeepsie until 4,29,1793.

Sarah. Bp.10,21,1722. Was living at Albany 10,29,1794, as she and her sons signed a deed on that date.

Elizabeth. Bp.8,23,1724. Her will was probated at Albany 4,15, 1783.

Jacob. Bp.4,17,1726. Will (dated 4,19,1798) was probated at Albany 6,2,1813.

Abraham. Bp.2,21,1728. Living in 1813, but date of death not ascertained.

Maria. b.11,1,1729. Her will (dated 2,21,1787) was probated at Poughkeepsie 7,7,1792.
Cornelia. Bp.6,6,1733. Buried at Albany 3,29,1748.
Cornelius. Bp.12,10,1735. Died at Fishkill 4,9,1824,aged 88 y. 3 m. 19 d.

From the foregoing table it will be seen that on April 21, 1794, only five of the children of Obadiah and Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper were still living, namely, Thomas (at Albany), Sarah (at Albany), Abraham (at East Greenbush), Jacob (at Bethlehem), and Cornelius (at Fishkill). How much, if anything, these children or any of the children had received from their father's estate is unknown. But there is a document (dated April 21,1794) recorded at the Albany County Clerk's Office (Book Deeds No. 13, N, p.540) which shows that the Fishkill heirs of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany on that date sold (to John Shepperd, of Albany, and his wife Elizabeth), for 600 pounds, their share in the property of Obadiah Cooper the tailor located at the corner of Green and Hudson Streets, Albany. This document reads as follows:

BETWEEN Cornelius Cooper of the Town of Fishkill in Dutchess Co., farmer, son of Obadiah Cooper, formerly of Albany City, Taylor [tailor], deceased, Obadiah I. Cooper and Mary, his wife, Benjamin Montauye and Cornelia, wife of said Benjamin, Jacob Terwilliger and Elizabeth, his wife, John Terbush and Hannah, his wife, Andrew Otterson and Mary, his wife, which said Obadiah I. Cooper and the said Cornelia, Elizabeth, Hannah, and Mary are children of John Cooper, late of the Town of Fishkill, in the County aforesaid, farmer, deceased, which said John Cooper was one of the sons of said Obadiah O.Cooper, late of the City of Albany, deceased, and Obadiah O. and Elizabeth, wife of said Obadiah, John Cooper and Peggy, wife of said John, Cornelia Clark, widow and relict of John R. Clark, deceased, Causparus Romine and Catherine, his wife, Benjamin Thorn and Mary his wife, Stephen Smith and Hannah, his wife, which said Obadiah, James, John, Cornelia, Catherine, Mary and Hannah are children of Obadiah Cooper, late of the said Town of Fishkill, Merchant, deceased, which said Obadiah Cooper last mentioned was son of the said Obadiah Cooper first mentioned of the city of Albany, Taylor [tailor] deceased, and Obediah W. Cooper and Mary, his wife, Myndert Cooper and Elizabeth, his wife, William Cooper and Alice, his wife, Abraham Hermance and Cornelia, wife of said Abraham, George Brett and Mary, his wife, which said last mentioned Obediah, Myndert, Cornelia, William and Mary are children of William Cooper, late of Fishkill, farmer, deceased, and William Terbush, son of Elizabeth Terbush, deceased, which said Elizabeth was wife of Simon Terbush and daughter of the said William Cooper of Fishkill, farmer, deceased, which said William Cooper last mentioned was the son of the said Obadiah first mentioned, of the City of Albany aforesaid, deceased, of the first part,

AND John Shepperd and Elizabeth his wife, of the City of Albany of the second part,

WITNESSETH that the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of six hundred pounds lawful money of New York to them in hand paid by the said parties of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, and sold, aliened, released, conveyed and confirmed and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell, aliene, release, convey and confirm unto the said John Shepperd and Elizabeth his wife (in their actual possession thereof now being by virtue of a bargain and sale to them thereof made for one whole year by indenture bearing date the day next before the day of the date of these presents, and by force of the statute made for transferring uses into possession and to their heirs and assigns, ALL that certain lot of ground situate and being in the first ward of the City of Albany and begins at the Northwest Corner of a lot of ground belonging to Mr. Abraham Yates adjoining Green Street and runs from said place of beginning north eighty-nine degrees and seventy-five minutes East along the South bounds of the before mentioned lot one hundred and twenty-four feet; thence Southerly twenty-five feet six inches to the lot of ground belonging to Mr. James Van Zandt; then along the same Westerly forty feet nine inches; then Southerly along the same lot of James Van Zandt sixty-two feet to Hudson Street; then North seventy-eight degrees and thirty minutes West along the said street one hundred and five feet six inches to Green Street; then North twenty-four degrees East Sixty-three feet along Green Street to the place where first began,

TOGETHER WITH ALL the profits, commodities, advantages, hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues, and profits of all and singular the said premises and every part thereof with the appurtenances, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD all and singular the said lot of ground.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties to these presents have hereunto interchangeably set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Cornelius Cooper by James Cooper
his attorney
Benjamin Mentange by James Cooper
his attorney

The word Thorn in the eleventh line of the first sheet wrote on erasure. And the word Cooper in the thirteenth line of the same sheet and the words that they in the nineteenth line of the second sheet interlined before execution.
Isaac Slingerland, Junior
T.V.Graham

Obadiah I. Cooper
By James Cooper, his attorney.(LS).Cornelia Montanye by James Cooper her attorney.
Mary Cooper [ditto (James Cooper: signed for each one : as attorney] :

Elizabeth Terwilleger
Obadiah W.Cooper
Casparus Romine
Hannah TerBush
Myndred Cooper
Benjamin Thorn
Maria Otterson
Elishi [Alice] Cooper
Stephen Smith

Jacob Terwillager
Margaret Cooper [Mother of Peter the philanthropist.]
John TerBush
Mary Cooper
Cathryna Romine
Andrew Otterson
William Cooper
Mary Thorn
Obadiah Cooper

Elizabeth Cooper
Mary Brett
William TerBush
George Brett
Hannah Smith
John Cooper [Father of Peter the philanthropist.]

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the twenty-first day of April one thousand seven hundred and ninety four before me Jeremiah Lansingh one of the Masters in Chancery for the State of New York, James Cooper who acknowledged that he signed sealed and delivered this instrument for the purposes therein mentioned as Attorney of Cornelius Cooper, Obadiah I. Cooper, Mary Cooper, Benjamin Montanye, Cornelia Montanye, Jacob Terwillegar, Elizabeth Terwillegar, John TerBush, Hannah TerBush, Andrew Otterson, Maria Otterson, Obediah Cooper, Elizabeth Cooper, John Cooper, Margaret Cooper, Casparus Romyne, Cathryna Romyne, Benjamin Thorn, Mary Thorn, Stephen Smith, Hannah Smith, Obediah W. Cooper, Mary Cooper, Mary Cooper Cooper, Mynderd Cooper, William Cooper, Elshi Cooper, George Brett, Mary Brett, and William TerBush and I having examined the said instrument and finding no razures or interlineations therein(except those noted) do allow the same to be recorded.

Jer'h Lansingh

I do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the original examined and compared with the same the fourth day of February, 1795.

R.Lush,Clerk.

Very few of the infants baptized in the Hudson River country in the early days were given a middle name or initial. But, as most baptismal names were applied again and again, it became necessary, as their owners reached manhood, to adopt a middle initial, in order to be distinguished from others bearing the same name. The initial employed was universally that of the father's name. Owing, however, to the similarity between the letters I and J many errors exist in the old records, the middle initial of the names of men whose fathers bore the name John being frequently recorded as I, instead of J. (Parenthetically, the similarity between the letters I and J is responsible for the absence of a J Street in the city of Washington, D.C., and possibly in other cities.)

Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany had seven sons, and each son (with the exception of Cornelius, his youngest child) had a son named Obadiah, while some of his great grandsons also bore that name. Thus the grandsons of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany came to be known as:

Obadiah A. (Son of Abraham Cooper of Albany and Schodack.)
Obadiah J. (Son of John Cooper of Fishkill, tailor and farmer.)
Obadiah O. (Son of Obadiah Cooper Jr., merchant of Fishkill, who was also known as Obadiah O.)
Obadiah T. (Son of Thomas Cooper of Albany.)
Obadiah W. (Son of William Cooper of Fishkill.)
Obadiah the son of Jacob Cooper of Bethlehem was baptized (1st Dutch Ch.Alb.), served in Rev. War ("N.Y. in Rev.," etc.), married (1st D.Ch.Alb.), and granted a Rev. pension (records at Archives Building, Washington, D.C.) without a middle initial. In the baptismal records of some of his children, however, he is designated as Obadiah F. Cooper, apparently to distinguish him from his 5 cousins and other relatives who also were commonly known as "Obadiah Cooper." The "F", however, has no family significance that we have been able to discover.

Therefore, it is not surprising to find in the preceding legal document as copied into the Albany records by R. Lush, Clerk, Feb. 4,1795, the following errors in the use of names:

Line 3 from top of copy of document: Obadiah I. Cooper (stated to be a son of John Cooper of Fishkill) should read Obadiah J. Cooper.
Line 6 from top: Obadiah I. should read Obadiah J.
Line 14 from top: Obadiah should read Obadiah O., as it refers to the son of Obadiah Jr., the merchant of Fishkill, who also, however, was called Obadiah O.
Line 21 from top: Obadiah should read Obadiah W., as it refers to the Obadiah W. mentioned in line 18 from top, who was a son of William Cooper of Fishkill, as stated in the document.
Lines 23, 24, 25 from top: Elizabeth Terbush should read Debora Terbush, according to the Fishkill Church records, which state that the first child of William Cooper and Sarah Schutt was bp. Debora and that she married Simeon Terbush as Debora. She d. before 1794, and thus her only child, William, became one of the heirs of Obadiah Cooper the tailor.

Why the home of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany 1713-1742 was not sold before 1794 is not known. Thomas lived in Albany his entire life, so far as we have been able to ascertain. Whether he lived in the family home all the time is not known. His first wife (Elizabeth Van Buren) died in September 1748, leaving him one child, a four-year old son named Obadiah. On December 4, 1748, Thomas and his mother were sponsors at the baptism of the first child born to his brother Jacob. At some time between Nov. 12,1749, and Aug. 5, 1750, Thomas was married to Margarita Van Antwerpen of Albany, who was buried from the First Dutch Church at Albany Jan. 23, 1786. The 1790 and 1800 cen-

suses list Thomas as a member of the family of his son Obadiah, who is recorded as living in the First Ward of Albany. Thomas died in 1801. To the writer it appears probable that he lived in the ancestral home all his life, perhaps paying a rental to his mother and, later, to his brothers. (In those days it seems to have been customary for fathers to leave all real estate to the sons of the family, the husbands of the daughters (all girls married young then) being expected to provide for their wives. This custom kept the real estate "in the family," and prevented the property of the original founder of a family from drifting into families bearing other names.)

REVOLUTIONARY SERVICE OF DESCENDANTS OF OBADIAH AND CORNELIA (GARDENIER) COOPER.

According to official records many descendants of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany 1713-1742 and his wife Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper served in the Revolutionary Army or otherwise assisted in attaining victory for the American cause.

"General History of Duchess County from 1609 to 1876, inclusive," by Philip H. Smith, 1877, lists (pp.482-485) the following Coopers who, according to the returns made August 15,1775, at the house of Jacob Griffin, in Rombout Precinct, had in July and August of 1775 signed the articles of Association as loyal to the impending struggle:

James Cooper	Myndert Cooper
John Cooper	O.W.Cooper
John Cooper	O.J.Cooper
Obadiah J. Cooper	Myndert Cooper

In 1775 there were living in Fishkill Town, Dutchess County,the following sons and grandsons of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany who were of suitable age to sign this Loyalty document and who apparently did sign it, either at Griffin's house or elsewhere:

John Cooper (son of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany), aged 60 years. (Born about 1715. Moved to Fishkill about 1744, as he and his wife are recorded as members of the Dutch Reformed Church of Fishkill 9,2,1744. His will, dated at Fishkill 7,1,1790, was probated at Poughkeepsie 10,15,1791. He was a prominent citizen (tailor and farmer) in his day, and apparently he is one of the John Coopers listed in the foregoing document.)

Obadiah J. Cooper (son of above John), aged 36 years. (Born at Fishkill 8,8,1749.)

Obadiah Cooper Jr. (son of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany), aged 55 years. Bp. 1st Dutch Ref.Ch. Albany 10,9,1720;moved to Fishkill 1748 or 1749, where he spent the rest of his life. Died 4,21,1776. The tax rolls list him as paying taxes at Fishkill 1753-1775, and estate paying them for 1777. He is the grandfather of Peter Cooper the philanthropist, whose published statements say that his grandfather and father both served in the Rev. Army. Whether the "Obadiah Cooper Jr." who in July 1775 signed the Loyalty Association in Beekmans Precinct, Dutchess Co. (pp.485-487 of "General History Duchess Co. 1609-1876, inclusive," by P.H.Smith, 1877), is this Obadiah Cooper or his son Obadiah O. Cooper is uncertain. This Obadiah was, correctly, Obadiah Cooper Jr., but his son may have assumed that title and he be the man who

signed at Beekmans Precinct, which may have been more convenient for him than Jacob Griffin's house in Rombout Precinct. There were not two Obadiah J. Coopers in Dutchess Co. or elsewhere. In the Revolutionary records the only son of Thomas Cooper of Albany appears as Obadiah J., but the receipt card at Archives Building, Washington, D.C., has the name Obadiah T., which is correct. It appears to the writer that "O.J. Cooper" of above list of signers is an error, and that the person referred to is Obadiah Cooper, Jr., the son of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany. From the fact that this Obadiah Cooper died 4,21,1776, his service to his country was necessarily brief, but he is listed as Obadiah Cooper in 2nd Regt. of Dutchess Co. Militia, under Col. Abraham Brinckerhoff and Lt. Col. Jacob Griffin.

Obadiah O. Cooper (son of Obadiah Cooper Jr.), aged 25 yrs. (Born at Fishkill 8,27,1750, and paid taxes there from 1774 on. His will was dated Fishkill 8,4,1795.)

James Cooper (son of Obadiah Cooper Jr., the merchant of Fishkill), aged 22 years. (Born at Fishkill 11,16,1753, and died 2,13, 1811.)

John Cooper (son of Obadiah Cooper Jr., the merchant), aged 20 ys. (Born at Fishkill 9,5,1755. Served in Rev. Army 1776-1781 and received a Rev.pension. Is the father of Peter Cooper the philanthropist.)

Obadiah W. Cooper (son of William Cooper, the 4th child of Obadiah the tailor of Albany), 25 yrs. old. (Born at Fishkill 9,8, 1750.)

Myndert Cooper (brother of above Obadiah W. Cooper), 23 yrs. old. (Born at Fishkill about 1752.)

Cornelius Cooper (youngest child of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany, and born 1735). His name does not appear as a signer of the Loyalty document, but he served in the 2nd and 6th Regiments of Dutchess Co. Militia and in the 1st Regt. of Orange Co. Militia, according to Revolutionary records and according to his headstone in the Fishkill Cemetery.

All of the six sons of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany who were living during the Revolution are recorded as assisting in that struggle, namely, John (60 years old), Thomas (58 years old), Jacob (50 years old),Obadiah Jr. (56 years old), Abraham (49 years old), and Cornelius (40 years old).

Of the many grandsons of Obadiah and Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper 17 have been identified as serving in the Revolutionary Army or as otherwise assisting in the fight for freedom.

The following is a list of their sons and grandsons who assisted their country in the Revolutionary War:

Sons of Obadiah and Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper who assisted in the Revolutionary War.

John Cooper (of Fishkill), their oldest son and then 60 years old, signed the Loyalty Association at Jacob Griffin's house Aug.15, 1775.

Thomas Cooper (of Albany), their second son, and then 58 years old, is recorded ("N.Y.in Rev.," 2d ed.,p.220) as an enlisted man in 1st Regt. Albany Co. Mil. (Capt. John Scott and Lt. William Tillman), together with his only son (Obadiah T.) and several of his nephews. He, like his brother Jacob, was so actively anti-Tory that they endeavored to confiscate his property.

Obadiah Cooper Jr. (of Fishkill), their 4th son (their third son died at Fishkill in 1761, but two of his sons served in the Army), 56 years old, is listed in 2nd Regt. of Dutchess Co. Militia, under Col. Abraham Brinckerhoff and Lt. Col. Jacob Griffin. He is the grandfather of Peter Cooper the philanthropist, and died 4,21, 1776, so that his military service was of short duration.

Jacob Cooper (of Bethlehem), their fifth son, and 50 years old, is recorded ("N.Y.in Rev.", 2d ed.,p.224, and Lineage Book Daughters of American Rev., vol. 120, p.62) as serving in 3rd Regt. of Albany Co. Mil. (Capt. John Vanderhuyden and Capt. Abraham Veeder). Jacob was so active in opposition to the Tories that they "threatened not only to destroy his property but to kill him and his family," until the Albany authorities sent a guard for their protection.This guard for seven months included Jacob's son Obadiah, who had entered the service in 1775, at the age of 16 years, who served at different periods in 1776, 1777, 1778, 1779, 1780, and 1782, and who in his old age was given a pension for his services. (See Pension papers at Archives Building, Washington, D.C.)

Abraham Cooper, their sixth son, who during the Revolution lived on a farm in Schodack Town, of the present Rensselaer Co., served (at the age of 49 and 50 years) at different times from Feb.28,1777, to Apr. 19,1778, as a Pvt. in 2nd Comp. (Capt. Amos Hutchins) of 5th Regt. (Col. Lewis Dubois), New York Line.

Cornelius Cooper (of Fishkill), their youngest son, served as Pvt. in Brinckerhoff's Regt. (No.2) of Dutchess Co. Militia 1778, 1779, and 1780, and in Graham's Regt. (No. 6) of same Militia. His monument in Fishkill Cemetery states that he also served in 1st Regt. of Orange Co. Militia.

Grandsons of Obadiah and Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper who assisted in the Revolutionary War.

Jacob Cooper (son of Cornelius). During Rev. lived at Fishkill, where he was born 4,11,1763, and where he is buried. Served, at age of 16 and 17 years, as a Pvt. in Brinckerhoff's Regt. (2nd of Dutchess Co.Mil.) and in Graham's Regt. (6th of Dutchess Co. Mil.). Pay check of Brinckerhoff's Regt. is for service rendered in 1779 and 1780, and pay check for Graham's Regt. is for service in 1778.Both were copied from receipt cards at Archives Building, Washington, D.C. ("Graves of Rev. soldiers buried in N.Y.," vol.2,p.54,Fishkill village, Dutchess Co., states that Jacob Cooper served in 6th Regt. Dutchess Co. Mil. and "3rd Regt. Albany Co. Mil." Latter apparently is an error, as it was his uncle (Jacob of Bethlehem) who served in 3rd Alb.Co.Mil.

James Cooper (son of Obadiah Cooper Jr.). During Rev. lived at Fishkill, where he was born 11,16,1753. Served (at age of 23 and 24 yrs.) in 1776 and 1777 (and probably later) as a 2nd Lt. in Col. Jacobus Swarthout's Regt, in which his younger brother John (the father of Peter Cooper the philanthropist) also served in the same years. (See receipt cards at Archives Building, Washington,D.C.) John was granted a pension in his old age, but James died in 1811, before the pension law was passed.

John Cooper (son of Obadiah Cooper Jr.and father of Peter Cooper the philanthropist). During Rev. lived at Fishkill, where he was born 9,5,1755. Served, at different times, from 1776 to 1781, at 21 to 26 years of age, as Sergeant and as 2nd Lt., according to his pension application at Archives Building, Washington, D.C. He also contributed financially to help feed his destitute comrades, and finally sold his watch for $30 and expended the money for their sustenance. There were so many John Coopers in the Rev. that action on John's application was delayed, but finally he was granted $80 per annum from March 3,1826.

John C. Cooper (son of Cornelius). During Rev. lived at Fishkill,where he was born 5,14,1758, and where he is buried. Served, at age of 19 yrs., in Graham's Regt. (2nd) of Dutchess Co. Militia, from June 1,1777, to Jan.1,1778.

Mindert Cooper (son of William Cooper, who d. at Fishkill in 1761). During Rev. lived at Fishkill, where he was born about 1752. He served in 2nd Regt.Dutchess Co. Militia (Brinckerhoff's) in Capt. Evert W. Swart's Co. (Capt. Swart's wife was Mindert's aunt) in Oct. and Nov. 1776, for which guard duty (at Fishkill Landing and elsewhere) he was paid £1,6,8 and £1,12,4 1/2, according to receipt cards at Archives Building, Washington, D.C.

Obadiah Cooper (son of Jacob Cooper of Bethlehem, Albany Co.). This Obadiah Cooper had a long military service, extending from Oct.1775, to 1782,according to his pension application on file at Archives Building, Washington, D.C.,and listed in detail under the biographical sketch of him on a later page. He was granted a pension of $86.66 per annum. He enlisted at 16 years of age.

Obadiah A. Cooper (son of Abraham Cooper). During Rev. lived in East Greenbush Town, Rensselaer Co. Served, at 16 years of age, as a Pvt. in 4th Regt. Albany Co. Militia, 2nd Rensselaerwyck Battalion, in Capt. Nicholas Staats' Comp. of Col.Kilian Van Rensselaer's Regt.

Obadiah J. Cooper (son of John Cooper, who moved from Albany to Fishkill about 1744). During Rev. lived at Fishkill, where he was born 8,8,1749. He is the Obadiah J. Cooper who, with several relatives, signed the Loyalty Association on 8,15,1775, at the house of Jacob Griffin. He also is the "Obadiah J. or I. Cooper" who served in Brinckerhoff's Regt. (2nd of Dutchess Co. Militia).

Obadiah T. Cooper (son of Thomas Cooper of Albany). Served in Brinckerhoff's Regt. (2nd of Dutchess Co. Militia), according to 1779 and 1780 receipt cards on file at Archives Building, Washington, D.C., in which he is designated by his right name.

Obadiah W. Cooper (son of William Cooper who died at Fishkill in 1761). During Rev. lived in Fishkill Town, where he was born 10,18,1750. He signed Loyalty document on Aug.15,1775, and served in 2nd Regt. of Dutchess Co. Militia and in 3rd Regt. of Albany Co. Militia,according to headstone in cemetery at New Hackensack, Dutchess Co., where he lived after the Rev. and where his three younger children were born and baptized, also according to roll cards on file at Archives Building, Washington, D.C.

John Swart (son of Maria Cooper and Evert Wynkoop Swart) served in Capt. Isaac Van Wyck's Comp. of Dutchess Co. Militia.

John A. Lansing (son of Elizabeth Cooper and Abraham Jacobse Lansing). Bapt. First Dutch Ch. Alb. 11,12,1749. Served as Pvt. in 1st Regt. Albany Co. Militia, under Capt. John Scott and Lt. Wm. Tillman.

Abraham Lansing, who served in 1st Regt. Albany Co. Mil., under Col. Abraham Cuyler and Col. Jacob Lansing Jr., is believed to be the son of Elizabeth Cooper and Abraham Jacobse Lansing, who was bp. at First Dutch Ch. Alb. 2,13,1757, and who during the Rev. lived at Albany.

Obadiah Lansing (son of Annatje Cooper and Evert Lansing). Born at Schodack May 1740. Served 1775-1779, first as a Lt. in Albany Co. Mil., 4th Regt., 2nd Rensselaerwyck Battalion, under Col. Kilian Van Rensselaer and Adj. John E.Lansing (his brother), and later as a Capt. in same Regt.

John E. Lansing (son of Annatje Cooper and Evert Lansing). Born at Schodack in May 1743. Served as Adjt. in Albany Co. Mil., 4th Regt., 2nd Rensselaerwyck Battalion, under Col. Kilian Van Rensselaer.

Baltus Van Benthuysen (oldest son of Sarah Cooper and James Parker Van Benthuysen of Albany). During Rev. lived at Albany, where he was bp. 3,28,1742. Served in 1st Regt. Albany Co. Mil., under Capt. John Scott and Lt. Wm. Tillman.

Obadiah Van Benthuysen (son of Sarah Cooper and James Parker Van Benthuysen). During Rev. lived at Albany, where he was bp.6,17,1744. "New York in Rev.," by James A. Roberts, Comptroller, 2d ed., p.270, gives a list of "Sundry persons whose service is evidenced by Manuscripts on file in the Comptroller's Office, but whose names are not found on the Papers of any of the Regular Organizations." In this list are the names James Van Benthuysen and Obadiah Van Benthuysen.

Of the many descendants of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany 1713-1742 who served in Revolutionary Army or otherwise assisted in obtaining victory for the American cause, only two ever applied for a pension. These were his grandson John (the father of Peter Cooper the philanthropist), who in his old age was granted a pension of $80 per annum from March 26, 1826, to the time of his death (October 16, 1838), and his grandson Obadiah (the son of Jacob Cooper of Bethlehem), who in his old age was granted a pension of $86.66 per annum.

(Parenthetically, the Coopers listed in the Orange and Suffolk County Militias are not, with one exception, descendants of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany, and are not known to be related to that Cooper. The exception referred to is the Cornelius who served in 1st Regt. Orange Co. Militia. That Cornelius Cooper, according to his headstone in the Fishkill Cemetery, which lists the Regiments in which he served, was the youngest child of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany.

The Cornelius Cooper who is listed in the 2nd Regiment of Orange Co. Militia (Col. Ann Hawk Hay's Regt.) was not a descendant of Obadiah Cooper of Albany. According to DAR Cemetery, Church, and Town Records, vol. 134, p.161, that Cornelius Cooper was b.4,17,1722, in Orange Co.; married, about 1749, to Annatje Haring; died 12,27,1776; both he and his wife buried in Sickletown Burying Ground, Orangetown, Rockland Co. Our Cornelius Cooper married Elizabeth Van Amburgh, died 4,9,1824, and he, his two wives, and his children are buried in Fishkill Cemetery.)

ALBANY IN THE EARLY DAYS.

What of Albany in the early days? It certainly was not the beautiful and interesting city it is today. After the transfer of the settlement of "New Netherlands" from the Dutch to the English in 1664, and the change of the name of the settlement from Beverwyck to Albany, many English settlers moved northward to that area. Encyclopedia Americana (vol. 1, 1939, pp. 328-9) tells us that:

"In 1686 it received a city charter (its bicentennial was celebrated in 1886) from Gov. Thomas Dongan; its first mayor (appointed by the governor, though the council was elected) was Peter Schuyler. The English settlers rapidly increased, but Albany was long a Dutch city. In the French and Indian wars it was a stockaded rendezvous, arsenal, and hospital, the refuge of a border. In 1754 it was the meeting-place of the first Provincial Congress, which formed 'a plan of a proposed union of the several colonies.' In 1777 it was Burgoyne's objective point, where he was to meet the expeditions up the river and from Canada. After being for many years the occasional seat of State government, it became the permanent capital in 1797, the centennial of which it celebrated 6 Jan. 1897. Its rapid growth began with the opening of the Erie Canal in 1825, making it the terminal for western business. Within 35 years it had increased five-fold. In 1848 the city was partially destroyed by fire."

The following quotation is from John Boyd Thacher, 2nd (Dutch Settlers Soc. Yr. Bk., vol.2, 1926, p.7):

"At the breaking out of the Revolution the population of the city did not exceed 3000 or 3500, and in 1786 it is enumerated at 3800; by 1789 it had increased to 4000; by the beginning of 1800, to 5439. During the next ten years it had nearly doubled, but the succeeding ten years shows an increase of only about 2500, making the total population in 1820 to number 12,541. In 1825 it was 15,974."

Although in the early days the Dutch language prevailed at Albany, by 1789 the English language held supremacy there. A description of Albany by Dr. Morse published in that year states:

"As great variety of languages are spoken in Albany as in any town in the United States, but the English predominates, and the use of every other is constantly lessening. Adventurers, in pursuit of wealth, are led here by the advantages for trade which this place affords."

Morse also states that "the Dutch are the most numerous and give the tone to the manners of the place."

The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church was the first religious body to be established at Albany. It was organized in 1642. In 1714 the first Episcopalian Church was built there. Later two German churches were established, the German Evangelical Lutheran and the German Reformed Church. The first Presbyterian Church was established in 1763.

The First Church in Albany

ORGANIZED IN 1642

A Member of the Reformed Church in America

(1715)

This Church and the Denomination of which it is a unit are Presbyterian in government, Reformed in doctrine and Semi-Liturgical in order

Pastors of the Church at Albany

Rev. Johannes Megapolensis	1642	to 1649
Rev. Gideon Schaats	1652	to 1683
Rev. Niewenhuysen	1675	to
Rev. Godfreidus Dellius	1683	to 1699
Rev. Johannes Petrus Nucella	1699	to 1702
Rev. Johannes Lydius	1703	to 1709
Rev. Petrus Van Driessen	1712	to 1739
Rev. Cornelius Van Schie	1733	to 1744
Rev. Theodorus Frelinghuysen	1746	to 1760
Rev. Eilardus Westerlo	1760	to 1790
Rev. John Bassett	1787	to 1805
Rev. John B. Johnson	1796	to 1802
Rev. John M. Bradford	1805	to 1820
Rev. John DeWitt	1813	to 1815
Rev. John Ludlow	1823	to 1833
Rev. Thomas E. Vermilye	1835	to 1839
Rev. Duncan Kennedy	1841	to 1855
Rev. Ebenezer P. Rogers	1856	to 1862
Rev. Rufus W. Clark	1862	to 1883
Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman	1885	to 1890
Rev. Edward P. Johnson	1891	to 1906
Rev. James S. Kittell	1907	to 1922
Rev. Robert W. Searle	1923	to ----

(The little Church where the children of Obadiah Cooper the tailor were baptized.)

They had some queer (the word is used advisedly and with remembrance of the old Quaker who restricted its definition) customs in the early days along the Hudson River. According to historians, up to 1691 it was the "fashion" for mothers not to appear at the church when their infants were baptized, nor for the mothers' names to be given in the church records. The fathers presented (doubtless proudly) the infants, accompanied by two sponsors, one a man and the other a woman, whose names were the only ones at that time entered in the records of the First Dutch Church at Albany. In 1691, however, the pendulum of gallantry appears to have begun to swing the other way, for the name of the mother was not only given but given first sometimes, while the name of the father was given last, as in the baptism of our ancestor Cornelia Gardenier. After that time the name of the mother was usually recorded in the church records, although her name does not appear in some records much later than 1691. (Parenthetically, this change in the swinging of the pendulum (to giving the mother's name first) caused us considerable labor. A manuscript history prepared years ago, by a minister, long deceased, belonging to our ancestral family, stated that Cornelia Gardenier was baptized Oct. 11, 1691, and that she was the daughter of Jans Jacobse Gardenier and Sarah Van Bremen. Being desirous to see, with our own eyes, this interesting record, and to cite the publication in which it was contained, a diligent search was made. In "Annals of Albany," by J. Munsell, vol. 3, were found the records of the First Dutch Church of Albany from 1683 to 1706, which contained considerable information regarding the Gardeniers. To our surprise the Index of that volume (which listed under "Gardenier" the names of supposedly all of the numerous baptized infants of that family) contained no Cornelia. Puzzled, the search was continued, and she finally was located in the Index under Van Breeman, her baptismal record (p.293, under year 1691) reading: "Cornelia, of Sara Van Breeman and

Jan Gardenier. Sps. Jacob Ten Eyk and Aaltje Oothout." But, this volume did not give the month and day of her birth (it listed the year only), and further search was required to obtain that information, which finally was found on page 54 of Holland Society Year Book 1904.)

At length the dominies seem to have formally adopted the practice of giving the father's name first and the mother's maiden name last, a practice that is of inestimable value in assembling the members of the early families of the Hudson River country. Without those early church records and the persistent recognition of the mother by her maiden name (even on many headstones) few of the descendants of the early settlers would have been able to segregate their kindred. Thus those early church records are a boon to genealogical searchers.

They also had some "queer" funeral customs at Albany in those distant days.

"No woman attended the body to the grave, but after the corpse was borne out, they remained to eat cakes, and drink spiced wine. They retired quietly before the men returned, who resumed the feast and regaled themselves. Spiced wine, and cakes, and pipes were provided, and wine was sent to the friends of the family. The best room in the house was specially appropriated as the 'dead room,' and was rarely opened but to be aired and cleaned."

At page 40, vol. 1, "Historical Collections of Albany," is a bill of expenses for burying a church pauper, about 100 guilders, or 40 dollars, some of the most prominent items being for rum and beer. Wealthy people are said to have procured a cask of wine for this absolutely certain event, and preserved it during their life time.

Furthermore, in those remote days it was the practice to let hogs roam the streets of the village and act as public scavengers. Complaint finally began to be made to the City Fathers that this practice was not sanitary and was detrimental to the health of the inhabitants. The City Fathers, however, took no action. (Probably some, or all, of them owned some hogs.) Complaints continued, and became more numerous, until at

length the city officials took heed, and in council assembled solemnly debated the question whether the hogs were to run or not to run. The ayes won this debate, and the hogs continued to pursue the even tenor of their way, doubtless to the indignation of many citizens. This leads us to wonder whether some (perhaps many) of the latter may possibly not have hesitated to express their wrath with a salute from a well-tenanted boot whenever they encountered a victorious porker patrolling his chosen beat!

The hogs remaining at large in the streets seemed to have been a constantly recurring headache to the City Fathers of Albany, for on March 4, 1811, they yielded a wee bit, by taking action that

> "All hogs and pigs that run at large in the Citty to be ringed, to prevent their Roating up the gras. Anyone to have right to seize any unringed hog or pig for his own use. By order of Mayor Alderman and Commonalty."

But the City Fathers of those days were, evidently, "easy going" people, and did not carry big sticks to see that their mandates were enforced. (Parenthetically, Albany was not the only city that indulged in this unsanitary practice, which existed in Washington, D.C., until well toward the mid eighteen hundreds.) It is no wonder then that in 1846 Albany was visited (from August to the coming of frost) by an epidemic of malignant yellow fever, which carried away 45 of its citizens and wrecked the homes of many others by leaving the victims imbeciles. The hogs, however, continued to run, and in May, 1849, some of the Albany citizens reported to the City Fathers that there were 4,000 hogs running at large in the streets. Later that year Albany was visited by an epidemic of deadly cholera, which struck alike in the homes of the high and the low, the rich and the poor. The rate of mortality is said to have been appalling. Finally, according to an Albany newspaper dated June 10, 1854 --

"The law against the running at large of swine began to be enforced. It was found that some owners had as many as forty. About 15,000 were captured during the campaign."

Quite possibly Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany may have owned some hogs (judging from the records nearly everybody in Albany must have owned hogs), but whether Obadiah was a culprit or a complainant is an unsolved riddle.

Then, too, in those distant days the marriage of cousins was a common custom among the families settled along the Hudson, due probably in part to the scarcity of desirable eligibles and in part to the desire to keep accumulating possessions "in the family." This practice, now deprecated, was indulged in by the high and the low, the rich and the poor. (Killian Van Rensselaer married his cousin Anna (daughter of Jeremiah Van Rensselaer), and his son Killian married his cousin Maria Van Cortlandt.)

This, then, was the Albany our ancestors knew. Fortunately (and, alas, sometimes unfortunately) customs change with the passing years, so that two centuries hence some of the well-established and highly approved customs of today may furnish food for merriment among the "moderns" of tomorrow.

EARLY SETTLERS OF ALBANY COUNTY WITH WHOSE DESCENDANTS THE DESCENDANTS OF OBADIAH COOPER THE TAILOR INTERMARRIED.

Among the early settlers of Albany and vicinity were the following families with whose descendants the children and grandchildren of Obadiah and Cornelia (Gardenier) Cooper intermarried. In the old records which form the basis of this genealogical narrative most of the names, both family and Christian, were spelled diversely by the good Dutch dominies, who recorded them according to sound, or to fancy, which varied from time to time and from dominie to dominie, and depended to a great extent upon the ear drums of the dominies and the condition of the vocal organs of the participants in the marriage and baptismal services. Then, too, in many instances the English baptismal name spoken by the parents was recorded by the officiating dominie with the Dutch spelling. In this summary the present generally approved spelling of the family names is employed.

The Van Burens are said to have settled in Albany County in 1631. Cornelis Maesen was the founder of the Van Buren family in America. Marte Cornelise and Cornelis Martense of the records were Van Burens. ("The Van Deursen Family," p.676.)

Some of the Van Slycks arrived in 1634 and others in 1663. Cornelis and Pieter Van Slyck had children baptized at the 1st Dutch Reformed Church at Albany in 1697, and later other Van Slyck children were baptized there.

Jacob Janse Gardenier, of Huguenot ancestry, came from Kampen, Holland, in 1637.

The earliest record of the Staats family is 1642, when Capt. Abram Staets (or Staas) arrived, in the same ship with Dominie Megapolensis, and he "is believed to be the ancestor of those who take the name Staats." ("Annals of Albany," by J.Munsell,vol.1,p.123; p.21 states this Capt.Staets was a surgeon.)

Jacob Janse Schermerhorn is said to have come to "Beverwyck" from Waterland, Holland, in 1636; but another author says 1645.

Jan Franse Van Hoesen settled in the Albany region in 1645.

Jan Jansen Van Bremen came over in 1646, and settled at Bethlehem, Albany Co. His son Jost Jan Dirksee Van Bremen had a daughter Sarah, who married Jan Gardenier (son of Jacob Janse Gardenier) and became the mother of Cornelia Gardenier, wife of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany.

The three Vandenberg brothers (Gysbert Cornelisse, Gerrit, and Claes) settled at Albany in 1648. All of them had sons who left many descendants.

Casper Jacobse Halenbeck was the first of the name at Albany, where he settled in 1650. He had two sons (Isaac and Jan). His will was dated 1685. He died in 1703. His daughter Lysbet (Elizabeth) married Hendrick Gerritse Lansing, one of the original three Lansing brothers who came to Albany with their mother in 1655. This name, like most family names in the Hudson River country, has been variously spelled in the old church records and in other records -- Hallenbeck, Halenbeck, Hallenbeek, Halenbeek, Hallenbake, and Halenbake. From the fact that one of the streets in the Third Ward of Albany was early named Hallenbake, and that Anthony's name in his will is spelled that way, it is reasonable to assume that to be the correct spelling. But in January 1849 a bill was introduced in the Assembly for the removal of the Hallenbeck burial ground, corner of South Pearl and Hamilton Streets, Albany.

Jellis Douwes Fonda settled in the Albany region in 1651, and left many descendants.

Jan Martense Van Alstyne was in "New Amsterdam" (New York) in 1646, and settled in the vicinity of Albany in 1653. He is the founder of the Van Alstyne family in America.

The Lansing family (consisting of mother, three sons (Gerrit, Hendrick, and Johannes) and two daughters) arrived on the "Gelders Bloem" in 1655. There is no evidence that the father (Gerrit Frederickse Lansing, a burgher of Hasselt, near Zwoll, in Overyssel, Holland, whose estate was settled in that country) ever lived in this country, but the mother and children spent the rest of their lives at Albany and vicinty and left many descendants, most of whom became prominent and influential.

Paulus Martense Van Benthuysen settled at Albany in 1657, and left many descendants there, some of whom became very prominent and wealthy.

Daniel Janse Van Antwerpen settled at Albany in 1661.

The Ten Broeck family came from Holland in 1662, and are recorded as "having always borne an honorable part in the affairs of the State."

Schout Olferts is recorded as having sailed in the De Statyen (Capt.Isaacq Gerritsz Schaep) from Friesland, Sept.27,1663, with wife, child two years old, and servant Foppe Johannis. He was the founder of the family whose name has been variously recorded as Olfert, Olfer, Olver, etc., but which for many years has been spelled Oliver.

The founder of the Sigsbee family in America was Mannassah Sixberry, who came from England about 1670 and settled at Schenectady. The Holland Society Year Book 1904 (p.21) records marriage at 1st Dutch Church Albany on "Mar.15,1699, of Manasse Saksby, y.m. [young man] from London and Pietertje Janez Jonker, y.d. [young daughter] from Sch. [Schenectady], both l. [live] there." This name also has been variously spelled in the old records : Siksby, Sixby, Sigsby, Sigsbee, Sesky, Sixbey, Sigsbie, and Sixberry. For a century the spelling has been Sigsbee. But, the original spelling was Sixberry, and as the founder of the family came from England that is said to be the correct spelling of the name.

The DeForest (De Freest, De Foreest, Freest, etc.) family is recorded as in Albany in 1697.

The Yates (Yets, Yaets, Jets, Yeats, etc.) family had children baptized at the First Dutch Church Albany in 1698 and later.

Dirk Hunn is recorded as a freeholder in the First Ward of Albany in 1742. ("Dirk" is the Dutch for Richard.)

The Holliday (Holladay) family also were early settlers. The first Presbyterian Church at Albany was formed at the conclusion of the French War, in 1763, and Samuel Holladay is recorded as one of the trustees who signed the mortgage.

EARLY SETTLERS OF DUTCHESS COUNTY.

On October 17, 1685, Francis Rombout acquired the patent to a large tract of land in Dutchess County, which it is said covered the present Towns of Fishkill, East Fishkill, Wappinger, a portion of Poughkeepsie Town, and the western part of La Grange Town. This man had an only daughter, named Catherine, who married Roger Brett, and who, upon the death of her father, became sole owner of the patent, on which she and her husband located in 1710. From time to time they sold portions of this land. Among the early records of Dutchess County appear the following entries of interest to our family:

Oct.10,1761. Robert Brett, Esq., of Rombouts Precinct, to Obedya Cooper of same place, 6 3/4 acres and 8 roods in Dutchess Co. in Rombouts Precinct. Consideration 100 pounds. Witnesses to signature Cornelius Cooper and Uriah Townsend. Judge of Court of Common Pleas Jacobus TerBos. [This Obadiah Cooper was a son of Obadiah the tailor of early Albany, where he was born 9,9,1720. He moved to Fishkill in 1748 (after the death of his first wife), and there he married (4,22,1749) Esther Terbos and spent the remainder of his life. He was one of the witnesses to the will of Catherine Brett, dated Dec.13,1763, and probated Mar.14,1764. And he was the paternal grandfather of Peter Cooper the philanthropist.]

Sept.13,1763. Matthew DuBois Jr., of Fishkill, sold to Obadiah Cooper, Merchant, of Rombout Precinct, for 19 pounds, "part of a meadow of Mrs. Catharyna Brett, grantor and Matthew DuBois." [This is the same Obadiah Cooper referred to in the preceding record.]

Obadiah Cooper, "trusty friend and brother," was one of the executors of the will of Henry Godwin, of Rumbouts Precinct, dated Mar.9, 1782. This undoubtedly refers to the oldest son of Obadiah Cooper the merchant of early Fishkill, because the latter died 4,21,1776, but his son Obadiah lived until late in the 1790's, his will being dated 8,4, 1795.

Obadiah W. Cooper, of Rombout Precinct, was one of the executors of the will of Elisha Dubois, dated Oct.20,1783. [This Obadiah Cooper was a son of William Cooper, a brother of the Obadiah mentioned in the first two of the preceding items.]

In 1714 a census was taken of all freeholders or heads of families in Dutchess County (which then included Putnam County). In this census (which showed that of the 445 inhabitants only 11 men and 1 woman were over the age of 60 years) we find the following names of families with whom the descendants of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany intermarried:

Matieis Sleyt [Sleight]
Elias Van Bentchoten [Benschoten]
Johnes Terbets [Terbos, Terboss, Boss, Terbush, etc.being other spellings of this family name in the Dutchess County records.]
Roger Brett.
Pete DeBoyes [Dubois, DuBuys, etc.; a French Huguenot.]
William Schott [Schutt]

The following brief comments on these and other early settlers of Fishkill with whom our Coopers intermarried are chiefly from "Local tales and historical sketches of Fishkill," by Henry D.B.Bailey, 1874, but some were taken from other authentic publications:

Peter and Abram DuBuys were elders in the Fishkill Dutch Reformed Church in 1731. Peter died in 1737-8, aged 63 years; is buried in Dutch Ch. Yard at Fishkill.

John Van Tassel settled on part of Rombout's patent at an early day.

New Hackensack was settled by emigrants from Hackensack, New Jersey. Mr. Van Benschoten was among the first settlers, and was a large land owner.

William Schutt was the first settler east of Gayhead. He purchased a farm of 150 acres from Madam Brett on Oct. 29, 1732, and paid for it 125 pounds.

Henry Terboss and Rosekrance Terboss are said to have been the first settlers in Fishkill village. The family was very well to do. Jacobus Terbos was Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in 1761. In 1740 he surveyed part of the Great Nine Pastures Patent, Dutchess County.

Johannes Swart, a very religious citizen, at the time of the Revolution was the most prominent person residing in Fishkill village. He had a daughter (Amelia) who married a wealthy Virginia man named Dixon, who was an officer in the Revolution.

The Van Amburgh, Van Wyck, Van Voorhees, and Wiltse (Wiltsie) families were also among the earliest settlers of Fishkill Town. The Wiltse family is said to be Danish. Many Van Wycks and many Van Voorhees rest in the cemetery of the Dutch Reformed Church at Fishkill.

Of Fishkill at the time of the Revolution Philip H. Smith has this to say ("Hist. of Dutchess Co.," p. 185):

"Fishkill Village, in the time of the Revolution, was the largest village in the county. It could boast of an academy, two churches, one school-house, a hotel, and a printing press. It was the theater of many thrilling events in the war, although no battle was ever fought in the vicinity. In 1789 there were but seven post-offices in the State, and Fishkill was one of the number."

The Dutch Reformed Church at Fishkill was established in 1716. Unfortunately all its records prior to 1731 are "missing," also all its marriage records from 1754 to 1784 and all baptismal records from

1746 to 1758. "Why," and "where," we have been unable to obtain definite information, but were told that one of the dominies at that church took the records with him when he was transferred to another diocese. Thus many facts which we should like to have are unobtainable. The available Fishkill church records, however, contain many of great interest to us, as do the records of the Dutchess County Surrogate's Office at Poughkeepsie, and the records of the County Clerk's Office at the same city. The pastor of the Dutch Reformed Church at the village of Fishkill, the Rev. Isaac Rysdyck, taught a classical school before and during the Revolution. He moved away in 1789.

Dutch Reformed Church at Fishkill, Dutchess County, N. Y.

(Second building.)

Photographed from an oil painting that hangs in the church.

BRIEF SKETCHES OF THE 12 CHILDREN BORN TO OBADIAH COOPER

THE TAILOR OF ALBANY, N. Y., FROM 1713 to 1742

AND HIS WIFE (CORNELIA (GARDENIER) COOPER),

ALSO OF THEIR CHILDREN'S CHILDREN AND GRAND-

CHILDREN AND MORE RECENT ADDITIONS TO THIS

COOPER CLAN.

ANNATJE COOPER (FIRST CHILD). (WIFE OF EVERT LANSING, OF SCHODACK, RENSSELAER CO., N. Y.)

Annatje (Hannah, Anna), the first child of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany, was born about 1714, doubtless at Albany, where her parents are in the record as living as early as 1713. Date of her baptism has not been found. She was married in 1735 to Evert Lansing (bp. Alb. Ch. 12,31,1704), a son of Gerrit Lansing, Jr., and Catherine Glen, and a grandson of the Gerrit Lansing who, with his mother and two brothers, arrived at Albany in 1655. Evert and Annatje (Cooper) Lansing early located at Schodack, now in Rensselaer County, where they spent the rest of their lives. He is listed as a freeholder in Manor of Rensselaerwyck in 1742. To them 8 children were born, the youngest being baptized in 1756. According to "Collections of Albany," by J. Munsell, vol.1,p.67, Annatje, wife of Evert Lansing, was owner of seat No. 31 in the First Dutch Reformed Church at Albany from 1751-1769, when (p.75) she became owner of seat No. 83. The date of the death of Evert Lansing has not been found by us. In November 1764 he and his wife acted as sponsors at the baptism (at Albany D.R.Ch.) of a grandson namesake of his (Evert Yates, son of his daughter Catharina and her husband, Christopher Yates). In January 1768 "Evert Lansing and Annatje Koeper, his wife" were sponsors at the baptism (Kinderhook Church) of a namesake granddaughter (Annatje, daughter of their son John E. Lansing and Maria Staats). But in August 1772 (records of Schodack Church, established 1770) Annatje and her son Obadiah Lansing were sponsors at the baptism of a grandson namesake (Evert Schermerhorn, son of her daughter Cornelia Lansing and her husband Henry Schermerhorn); in May 1773 Annatje and her son John E. Lansing were sponsors at the baptism (Albany D.R.Ch.) of a namesake granddaughter of hers (the daughter of her son Obadiah Lansing and his wife Cornelia Van Benthuysen); and in March 1775 the sponsors at the baptism (Alb.D.R.Ch.) of another grandson namesake (Evert, son of her son Obadiah Lansing and Cornelia Van Benthuysen) were their daughter Catharina Lansing and her husband Christopher Yates. From all of which it is concluded that Evert Lansing probably died before August 1772. Annatje (Cooper) Lansing, however, was living in 1787, because she is mentioned in the will of her sister Mary (Cooper) Swart, of Rombout Precinct, Dutchess Co., dated Feb. 21, 1787. On the margin of the Schodack Church record book she is listed (in pencil) as dead in 1793.

Children born to Evert Lansing and Annatje Cooper.

1. Gerrit (Gerrit E.). bp.Alb.D.R.Ch. 6,30,1736, wit.Gerrit Lansing and Susana Wendell; m. ? . Gerrit E. Lansing and his sister Cornelia were witnesses at the bp. of their youngest sister (Annatje) in 1756, at the Alb.Ch.
2. Cornelia. bp.Alb.Ch.1,11,1738, wit. Obedias and Cornelia Couper (parents of Annatje Cooper); m., same Ch., 12,17,1762, to Henry Schermerhorn (son of Jacob Schermerhorn and Antje Van Vechten). They lived in Schodack several years, where he served as Elder and as Deacon in Dutch Ref. Ch. He d.8,27,1794. After his death his widow moved to Fonda, Montgomery Co., where her sister Catharina and other relatives lived, and where she had seat No. 9 in Fonda D.R.Ch. (vol.2,p.169) and died 3,1,1804.
   The 1790 census lists Hendrik Schermerhorn at Rensselaerwyck Town, with family of:
   Males over 16 ys., 1. [Himself.]
   Males under 16 ys., 1. [Son Cornelius.]
   Females, 4. [Wife, dau. Catrina (b.2,9,1770), dau. Catylyntje (b.9,15,1775); dau.Cornelia (b.1777?).]
   Slaves, 5.

Children born to Cornelia Lansing and Henry Schermerhorn.

1. Jacob Hendrike. b.9,10,1763 (Scher.Gen.); m.Alida Schermerhorn 12,1,1782,Kind.Ch.,"both of Schotag."

   Cornelius. b.8,4,1799 (Fonda D.R.Ch.,but bp.date not given).
2. Annatje. b.9,10,1764 (Scher.Gen.); m.Benj.Springsteen (Sch. Gen.); d.1,27,1791 (Sch.Gen.).
3. Catalyntje. b.2,10,1768 (Sch.Gen.). (Must have d.y.)
4. Catrina. b.2,9,1770 (Sch.Gen.); bp.Schod.Ch.2,18,1770,wit. Stoeffel Yates and Catharina Lansing; d.9,8,1795 (Sch. Gen.).
5. Evert.b.8,17,1772 (Sch.Gen.); bp.9,6,1772, Schod.Ch., wit. Obadiah Lansing and Annatje E.Lansing; m. (Scher.Gen.) 1,5,1795,in Schenectady,"Elizabeth Schermerhorn, dau.of Lourens Schermerhorn and Geesie Ville." Moved from Schodack to Montgomery Co.
   Cornelia. bp. Fonda D.R.Ch.12,4,1800, no wit.
   Josiah. " " " " 5,8,1804, no wit.
   ? ?
6. Catylyntje. b.9,15,1775 (Sch.Gen.); m. (Sch.Gen.) Petrus Hardenburgh 7,24,1794, in Schenectady; m. 2 (Sch.Gen.) 11,19,1815, Cornelius I. Schermerhorn; d.1,23,1835 (Sch. Gen.).

   Cornelia, "of Catelinte Schermerhorn and Peter Hardenburgh" b.3,2,1796; bp.Fonda D.R.Ch., wit. "Cornelia Lansing, widow," but date of bp. not given.
7. Cornelia. b. 1777?; bp. ? ; m.8,22,1801, John Joseph Prentup (Fonda D.R.Ch.). Children (Fonda Ch.):
   Peter Winne. b.2,27,1815; bp. Fonda Ch., but date not given.
   Evert Lansing. b.2,16,1817. ditto.
   William.b.1,27,1821. ditto.
   Daniel. b.1,22,1823. ditto.
8. Cornelis.b.7,1,1778; bp.8,9,1778 (Alb.Ch.), wit.Joh. and Marytje Lansing; m. ..... Cathalyntie Van Valkenburg; united Schodack Ch.9,4,1802; Deacon 1804; Elder 1808-1812.
   Neeltie [Cornelia]. b.11,13,1800; bp.Schod.Ch.1,11,1801, no wit.
   Barent C.b. ? ; m. Cathrine Whitbeck, who united with Schod. Ch.11,3,1832; he united with same Ch. 7,23, 1837; Deacon 11,3,1832-1837.
   Nancy. b. ? ; m. ? ; united Schod.Ch.Nov.1836; d. Nov. 1838.
   Jacob C. b. ? ; m. ? ; d.5,8,1822.

3 (of Annatje Cooper and Evert Lansing). Obadiah. bp. Alb.Ch.2,4,1739, wit. Thomas and Sara Cooper [brother and sister of Annatje Lansing]; buried, same Ch., 9,21,1747.

4. Obadiah (Obadiah Evert). bp. Alb.Ch.5,29,1740, wit. Thomas and Sarah Cooper [brother and sister of Annatje Lansing] ; m., same Ch., 6,3,1772, to Cornelia Van Benthuysen (cousin); member of E.G. Ch.1789 and later Elder. According to Wynantskill Ref.D.Ch. record (Vosburgh) Obadiah E. Lansing was a physician at Greenbush. This Obadiah Lansing was the only one of that name old enough to serve in Rev. He first served as a Lt. and later as a Capt. in 4th Regt.Alb.Co.Mil. (Col.Kilian Van Rensselaer's Regt.), in Capt.Staats's Comp., in 1775-1779. (See "N.Y.in Rev.," by James A.Roberts, Comptroller, and pension papers of John A.

Ostrander (who served under him) on file at Archives Building, Washington, D.C.) The 1790 census lists him in Rensselaerwyck Town with:

Males 16 ys. and up, 2. [Himself and Evert O.]
Males under 16 ys., 4. [Gerrit (b.1778), Jacobus (b. 1780), Johannes (b.1783), and Obadiah (b.1789).]
Females, 5. [Wife, daughters Annatje, Sarah, and Catharine, and helper.]
Slaves, 9.

He was Deacon of E.G.Ch. 1790 and Elder 1793, 1794, 1799-1801.

Children born to Obadiah E. Lansing and Cornelia Van Benthuysen.

1. Annatje. b.4,10,1773; bp. (Alb.Ch.) 5,9,1773, wit. Johs. and Annatje Lansing (brother and mother of Obadiah Lansing); m.2,2,1794 (E.G.Ch., "both of E.G."), to Jacob De Forest (son of Marten Foreest and Thanneke Winne,and b. 5,28,1771, and bp.E.G.Ch.6,16,1771). They lived at East Greenbush till 1801 or 1802, when they moved to Blooming Grove (Rotterdam), near Schenectady, where she d.12, 22,1807. They were members of E.G.Ch. 5,26,1795. On 7, 30,1808, he m. Mary Wiley, who d.4,11,1859, aged 87 ys. He d.6,21,1854. All three are buried in Vale Cem. Schenectady.

Children born to Annatje Lansing and Jacob De Forest (In early records his name is also spelled Deforeast, de Foreest, and Foreest.)

1. Jacob. b.10,23,1797; bp.11,26,1797,E.G.Ch.,wit. Gerard and Rachel De Garmo; m.Anna Schermerhorn (b.8,..,1799; d.4,...,1851, and bur.Vale Cem.Schenectady).
Obadiah Lansing. b.....; m.....
Jessie De Forest, Janesville, Wis.,Route 4, box 163.
J.Maud De Forest, 1906 E.105th St., Cleveland, O.
2. Tanika. b.2,7,1800; bp.4,23,1800,E.G.Ch.
3. Sarah. b.10,21,1802; bp.11,19,1802,Helderberg D.Ch., Rotterdam.
4. Obadiah Lansing. b.8,8,1806; bp.9,28,1806, Helderberg D.Ch. Guilderland.

2. Evert (Evert O.). b.2,6,1775; bp. Alb.Ch. 3,26,1775,wit. "Christoffer Yaets"and Catharina Lansing; m.Polly (Mary) Sharp 12,..,1796,E.G.Ch. She was admitted to membership in that Ch.1,30,1812, and was still a memb. in 1818.
1. Obadiah. b.1,29,1798; bp.2,25,1798,E.G.Ch., no wit. (Parents recorded as "Evert Lansing and Polly Sharp".)
2. Martinus. b.2,18,1800; bp.4,23,1800,E.G.Ch.,no wit. (Parents recorded as "Evert O.Lansing and Mary Sharp".) m. Adalina Van Alstyne ("Tiny Van Alstyne".) He united with E.G.Ch. 1820, and was Deacon 1822 and 1828. Children:
1. Mathew Van Alstyne. b.1,11,1822; bp.4,5,1822,E.G. Ch., no wit.
2. Maria Ann. b.10,22,1823; bp.12,7,1823,E.G.Ch.,no wit.; m. (before 1858) to Jacob Rector, as she is called "Maria Ann Lansing, wife of Jacob Rector" in 1858 records of E.G.Ch. They had dau. Jennie,b.6,1,1864; bp.E.G.Ch.2,3,1865,no wit.

3. Maria. b.5,10,1803; bp.E.G.Ch., but dates of bps. btw.2,14,1801, and June 1804 not given in Ch. record book, altho births are recorded. (Parents are recorded as "Evert Lansing and Polly Sharp.") Maria Lansing united with E.G.Ch. 11, 24,1820; m.(E.G.Ch. 12,27,1832) David Rector, "both of Schodack," and had:

James Lansing. b.4,14,1840; bp.5,24,1840, E.G.Ch., no wit.

(David Rector's wife in 1827 was Ann Staats, and their Margaret Elizabeth was b.7,26,1827, and bp. E.G.Ch.9,9,1827, so that he was a wid. when Maria m. him.)

4. Gerrit (Gerrit E.). b.1,12,1807; bp.2,8,1807,E.G.Ch., no wit., parents recorded as "Evert O.Lansing and Polly Sharp"; m. Magdalena ("Lany") Potts 3,13, 1827, Nass. Ch., Renss. Co.

1.Jacob Potts. b.1,2,1828; bp.2,10,1828, E.G.Ch.,no wit.

2.Evert. b.3,4,1831; bp.4,24,1831,E.G.Ch.,no wit.

3.Cornelia Maria. b.3,9,1833; bp.6,16,1833,E.G.Ch., no wit.; m.Lewis F.Ostrander, "both of Schodack," 4,20,1854, E.G.Ch.

Jacob Lansing. b.1,24,1863; bp.10,3,1863,E.G. Ch., no wit.

4.Cathlina. b.4,19,1835; bp.10,4,1835,E.G.Ch.,no wit.

5. James. b.3,4,1814; bp.4,10,1814, E.G.Ch., no wit.

3. Jacobus. b.10,27,1776; bp. Alb.Ch. 11,24,1776, wit. Abraham Cooper and Sara V. Benthuisen (uncle and mother of Cornelia Van Benthuysen). d.y.

4. Gerrit (Gerrit O.). b.9,4,1778; bp. Alb.Ch. 9,27,1778,wit. Jacob and Annatje Van Aalstein; m.Catalina Schermerhorn 1,21,1798, E.G.Ch. He d. in 1820 or before Feb. 1821, as Barney Schermerhorn (his brother-in-law) was appointed guardian for his children on latter date. She is listed as a member of E.G.Ch. 6,6,1812. Children:

Gertrude. b.8,5,1802 (E.G.Ch. record,but date bp.not given; Guilderland D.Ch.record gives date bp. 8,29,1802.)

Obadiah C.[Cooper] Lansing. b.1,2,1805, E.G.Ch.,but date bp.not given; Guilderland D.Ch. record says bp.1,27, 1805.

Jacob S.H. b.3,17,1807, E.G.Ch., but date bp.not given.

Evert G.b.4,2,1809; bp. E.G.Ch.4,30,1809, no wit.; m. 11,10,1831, to Sarah Anne "Airing" of Greenbush.

Sarah Ann. b.4,26,1811,E.G.Ch. record, but date bp. not given; m. Jacob Schermerhorn. Children:

James W. b.6,15,1832; bp.
Harvey Rogers.b.9,11,1835.
Barent. b.3,31,1831.
Sarah Ellen. b.8,31,1840.
} Schod.Ch.....1841,but date not given. All bp.same day, no wit.

Charaloin. b.11,16,1842; bp.11,3,1843, no wit.

Cornelius G. b.8,20,1813; bp. Schod. Ch. 9,12,1813,no wit.

5. Jacobus. b.3,15,1780; bp. Alb.Ch. 4,16,1780, wit. Baltus and Elizabeth V. Benthuisen; m. 1,31,1803, Wynant.Ch., to Tannicke Witbeck. She was memb. E.G.Ch. in 1808, and he joined that Ch. 11,24,1820, and was Deacon 1821-2. Moved to Hoosick, Renss. Co., where he d. (intestate) 7,20,1852, leaving widow Antoinette Lansing and "2 children, both of full age." Widow waived rights as Admx., and son William, of Greenbush, Renss.Co., was apptd. Ex.7,29,1852. Name of the other child not given in Letts. Adm. One of

daughters must have died before 1852.

1. Cornelia. b.11,1,1803; bp. E.G.Ch.,but date bp. not given, altho date of b. is given. (Parents recorded as "James Lansing and Tannicke Whitbeck". Is this the Cornelia Lansing of Greenbush who m. Henry G. Van Der Werken, of Stillwater, 7,19,1854,E.G.Ch.?)
2. William. b.9,29,1804, E.G.Ch., but date bp. not given. Appointed Adm. of father's estate 7,29,1852, when residence was given as Greenbush.
3. Catharine. b.2,25,1808; bp.3,20,1808, E.G.Ch., no wit; m. Daniel P. Winne 2,12,1835, E.G.Ch., "both of Greenbush."

6. Sara. b.3,6,1782; bp.Alb.Ch.,4,14,1782, wit.Hendrick and Sara V.Benthuisen; m.1,19,1799, E.G.Ch., to Barent Schermerhorn.

Jacob. b.9,2,1804; bp.9,23,1804, E.G.Ch.
(Schermerhorn Genealogy may give other children.)

7. Johannis (John O.). b.11,8,1783; bp. Alb.Ch.,12,28,1783, wit. John Lansing and Maria Staats; m..... Sally Burns, who was admitted E.G.Ch. 6,6,1812.

1. Cornelia Catherine. b.10,8,1806; bp. E.G.Ch., 11,1,1806, no wit.
2. James. b.4,6,1811; bp.4,28,1811, E.G.Ch., no wit.
3. Ann. b.2,8,1814; bp.7,10,1814, E.G.Ch., no wit.

8. Obadiah (son of Ob.E).b.10,23,1785; bp. Alb.Ch., 10,24,1785, wit. Christopher and Catharina Yates. d.y.

9. Catharina. b.3,4,1787; bp. Alb.Ch.4,19,1787, wit. Catharina Yates. Catharina Lansing is recorded as memb. of E.G.Ch. in 1818; m. (1,11,1825, E.G.Ch.) John P. Witbeck, of Greenbush.

10. Obadiah (son of Ob.E).b.8,13,1789; bp.9,10,1789, E.G.Ch., wit.Gerard Yates and Nancy Lansingh; m.4,9,1811, Wynant.Ch., to Jane Sharpe (dau.Martinus of Greenbush). Children:

Obediah. b.3,13,1814; bp.4,10,1814,E.G.Ch.,no wit.
Martinus Sharpe. b.8,4,1817; bp.8,31,1817,E.G.Ch.,no wit.
Henry. b.4,28,1819; bp.6,20,1819,E.G.Ch.,no wit.
Maria. b.6,7,1823; bp.8,17,1823,E.G.Ch.,no wit.
Cornelia. b.12,30,1824; bp.3,27,1825,E.G.Ch.,no wit. (Is she the Cornelia Lansing of Greenbush who m. 7,19,1854,E.G.Ch., Henry G. Van Der Werken of Stillwater?)
George Sharpe. b.3,20,1827; bp.4,22,1827,E.G.Ch.,no wit.; m.(1) 10,4,1852, Jane Brooksby (b.Scotland 2,15, 1833, and d.3,17,1866). Children:
Jane Eliza.b.Alb.7,6,1853; d.9,1,1863.
George Henry.b.6,10,1856; d.12,17,1895,unm.
Charles Evert.b.1,6,1858; d.Alb.11,2,1942,unm.
William Brooksby.b.1,30,1864; d.2,20,1889,unm.
John Beebe.b.1,13,1866; d.5,19,1866.
m.(2).1,31,1867, Jane Bromley Jones (b.Hudson,N.Y. 1,31,1830; d.Alb.11,29,1868). Children:
Edward Augustus.b.11,22,1868; m.11,25,1909, Pearl Winn (b.Berwick,Me.,5,19,1871); he d. 11,12,1940. Only child:
Winifred.b.Alb.1,4,1911; m.7,5,1941,to Walter C.Benedict,Jr.
George Sharpe Lansing d. at Alb.2,11,1913.
Evert.b.1,17,1829; bp.E.G.Ch.3,8,1829, no wit.

5. Catharina. bp.2,14,1742, Alb.Ch., wit. Johannes G. and Engeltje Lansing; m.7,17,1761, Alb.Ch., to "Christopher Jets" [Yates].He was a founder of E.G.Ch. in 1787, and an Elder in 1787 and 1792. Later they moved to Montgomery Co., where they spent the rest of their lives. Are bur. in old Cem. at Fultonville.She d.12,13,1814 (headstone). He d.8,14,1798 (headstone).

Children born to Catharina Lansing and Christopher Yates.
(In some of the following bp. records the father is recorded as Christopher, Christopher I., and Christopher J., and the family name is spelled Yates, Yaets, etc. The name on Cem.headstones is Yates.)

1. Cathalina. b.11,6,1763; bp. Alb.Ch., 11,13,1763, wit.Johs. and Rebecca Yeatz. (Must have d.y., as a later dau. bore this name.)
2. Evert. b.10,24,1764; bp. Alb.Ch., 11,..,1764, wit. Evert and Annatje Lansing (the child's grandparents). Admitted E.G.. Ch. 5,6,1789; m..... Catrina Fonda. His father's fam-. ily moved to Montgomery Co., and Evert Yates and wife Catrina Fonda joined Fonda D.R.Ch. Feb.1795. Children:
   Christopher (Christopher Evert). bp.12,19,1797, Fonda D.R. Ch., no wit; m.... Cathrina Van Horne.
      Elenor. b.8,27,1821; bp. Fonda Ch., no wit.
      Angelica. b.1,1,1823; bp. Fonda Ch., no wit.
   John Fonda. bp.Fonda Ch. 6,5,1800, wit. John Fonda and Angelte Hansen.
   Gerrit. bp.Fonda Ch. 6,24,1802, no wit.
   Caty Maria. bp.Fonda Ch. 4,17,1804, no wit.
   Evert Lansing. b.9,5,1811; bp. Fonda Ch., no wit.
3. Johannes. b.5,13,1766; bp. Alb.Ch.6,1,1766, wit. Pieter and Catharyntje Yaets. (E.G.Ch., vol.1, p.101, states Rebecca Waldron, widow of Johannes Yates, joined E.G.Ch.6,14, 1792.)
4. Gerrit. b.4,13,1768; bp. Alb.Ch.5,15,1768, wit.Obadia and Annatje Lansing; m. (1) 6,2,1790, E.G.Ch., Cornelia Lansing. Was memb. E.G.Ch. in 1809. Cornelia Lansing (his cousin) died young, and he m. (2) Elizabeth Cooper, wid. of John Staats Lansing, his first wife's brother. He was wit. to will of John Staats Lansing. They all lived in Greenbush. Elizabeth Cooper "wife of Gerrit Yates" is buried in Clinton Heights Cem., near East Greenbush.
5. Pieter. b.1,28,1770; bp. Alb.Ch. 2,14,1770, wit. Abraham and Engeltje Yates; m. Eva Van Eps. Children (list may be incomplete):
   Christophle. b.9,26,1795; bp.Fonda Ch., wit.Christopher Yates and Catrina Lansing.
   Obadiah Lansing. b.6,13,1810; bp. Fonda Ch., no wit. On 2,6,1845, was a memb. of E.G.Ch.
   Jane Maria. b.4,16,1812; bp. Fonda Ch., no wit.
   Peter. b.7,27,1814; bp. Fonda Ch., no wit.
6. Cathalyntje. b.10,28,1771; bp. Alb.Ch.,11,16,1771, wit.Willem and Annatje Staats; m.2,13,1792, E.G.Ch., to Hendrik V. Fonda. They moved to Montgomery Co., and she joined Fonda Ch. Feb.1795. They had:
   Catrina. bp.Fonda Ch. 4,22,1798, no wit.
7. Alexander. b.11,22,1773; bp. Alb.Ch. 12,12,1773, wit.Hendrik and Cornelia Schermerhorn; m..... Elizabeth Kipp. They had:
   Cornelia. bp.2,25,1801, Fonda Ch., no wit.
   Jane. bp. 2,20,1805, Fonda Ch., no wit.
   Catalina.b.12,1, 1816; bp. Fonda Ch., no wit.
   Eliza Ann. b.2,27,1822; bp. Fonda Ch., no wit.

8. Annatje. b.7,6,1776; bp.7,28,1776, Alb.Ch., wit. Jacob V. Aalstein and Annatje Lansing.
9. Christopher. b.5,10,1779; bp.6,2,1779, Alb.Ch., wit. Willem Seebry and Rebecca Yates; m. Sally Fox.

6. Johannes (John Evert). bp. Alb.Ch. 5,1,1743, wit. John and Elizabeth Couper (uncle and aunt of the child); m. (1), license, 9,5, 1766, Maria Staats (dau. of Barent A.Staats and Magdalena Schuyler), who was b.10,19,1744; date of her death not found, but 8,29,1807, John Evert Lansing, "widower," m. Catharine Sharpe, "widow", at Wynantskill Ch. They had no children. He is listed as a founder and as Deacon of E.G.Ch.1787, as Deacon 1789, as Elder 1790, and his wife Maria is listed as a member. John E. Lansing served as Adjt. in 4th Regt. Alb.Co. Militia (Col.Kilian Van Rensselaer, Commander), in Rev.War. (See "N.Y.in Rev.," by J.A.Roberts, p.104.) His older brother Obadiah Lansing served in same Regt. as a Lt.and as a Capt. The 1790 census lists John Lansing at Rensselaerwyck Town:

Males 16 ys. & up, 2. [Himself and son Evert (b.10,27, 1773.]
Males under 16 ys., 3. [John Staats (b.1775),Abraham (b. 1777), and a relative or helper.]
Females, 5. [Wife; Cornelia (m.6,2,1790); Alida (b.1779); Maria (b.1781); and Catharina (b.1787).]
Slaves, 3.

Later censuses not examined.
His will (dated 1,20,1821) was probated at Troy, N.Y.,5,15, 1821, and from it he appears to have been a very just man.

Children born to John E. Lansing and Maria Staats.

1. Annatje. bp.Kind.Ch.,by Dominie Fryenmoet,1,3,1768, wit.Evert Lansing and Annatje "Koeper," his wife (parents of John E.Lansing); m.12,11,1788, Richard Hun, E.G.Ch.; d. before date of her father's will (1,20,1821), which mentions "my granddaughters Catrina Hun, Margaret Hun, and Maria Hun, children of my deceased daughter Annatje Hun, wife of Richard Hun."
   Catrina. b.9,29,1789; bp.E.G.Ch.10,11,1789, wit.Johannis Hun and Catrina Hun.
   John. b.12,13,1791; bp.E.G.Ch.12,25,1791, wit.John E. and Mary Lansing. Not mentioned in will of John E.Lansing, which, however, mentions only the daughters of his children, leaving his grandsons to be provided for by the fathers of the men his daughters married.
   Dirk (Richard).b.12,10,1793; bp.Alb.Ch.12,22,1793,no wit.
   Maria. b. 1795?; bp. (No record E.G.Ch., Kind.Ch.,or Schodack Ch., but mentioned in will of her gdfather John E. Lansing.)
   Margaret (Peggy). b.12,16,1797; bp.1,8,1798, no wit.,E. G.Ch. Mentioned in will of her gdfather, John E. Lansing.
   Records Fonda D.Ref.Ch., Montgomery Co., vol.3,p.136, state Annatje Lansing, widow of Dirk Hun, joined that Ch., by confession, 7.15,1797. (Several of her relatives had moved to Montgomery Co.)
2. Alida.b.9,17,1769; bp.Alb.Ch.10,15,1769,wit. Johannes Staats and Elsje Lansing. (Must have d.y., because they had another Alida bp. in 1779.)

3.Cornelia.b.4,10,1771; bp.Schod.Ch.5,11,1771, wit.Hendrik Schermerhorn and Cornelia Lansing, his wife; m.(Alb.Ch.) 6,2,1790, Gerrit Yates (1768-1850), her cousin; d.3,11, 1804, aged 32 y.,1 m.,1 d. She and her husband were members E.G.Ch.1792. Her father's will (dated 1,20,1821) mentions "children of my deceased daughter Cornelia Yates, wife of Gerrit Yates," and states: "In case of death of either of said children then the share of the one deceased shall go to the surviving child of my daughter Cornelia Yates." Therefore one of the following d. before date of that will.

1.Catrina. b.11,12,1790; bp.12,5,1790,E.G.Ch., wit.Christopher Yates and Catrina Yates.
2.John.b.7,12,1793; bp.8,18,1793,E.G.Ch.,wit.John E.Lansing and Maria Lansing (grandparents of the child); m.Lidia Hulet, who joined E.G.Ch.8,10,1820.
3.Christopher.b.1,28,1800; bp.2,2,1800,E.G.Ch., no wit.

4.Evert.b.10,27,1773; bp.Alb.Ch.12,5,1773, wit.Obadia Lansing and Cornelia V.Benthuisan; m.2,19,1795,Jeannette Campbell (b.11,5,1779; d.5,23,1809, at Schodack); he d. 5,7,1833, at Decatur,N.Y., where he is buried. Will of his father (John E.Lansing), dated 1,20,1821, states: "To my two grandsons, John E. Lansing, Jr., and James E. Lansing, children of my son Evert Lansing, all my real estate in town of Schodack, to be equally divided between them. Also to each one horse, to each two cows, and to each choice of my negro slaves." This will mentions also "my two granddaughters Maria and Jane Eliza Lansing,children of my son Evert."

1.Robert Campbell.b.10,26,1795;bp.11,21,1795,E.G.Ch.,no wit.; m.Sally Campbell; d.at Alb.4,23,1873, at home of dau.Mary Jane, wid.Dr.J.N.Northrop.
2.John (John E.Jr. of his gdfather's will).b.9,9,1797;bp. 10,1, 1797,E.G.Ch.,no wit.; m.2,9,1820, Betsy Canfield (Nass.D.R.Ch.,Renss.Co.). Their dau. Mary m. John Viets Whitney; latter's dau. Nira Estelle m. Frank Eugene Tucker, whose son Glenn G.Tucker m. Viola Green and lives (1946) at 554 Parkman Road N.W., Warren, Ohio.
3.Maragreta.b.4,13,1800; bp.4,23,1800,E.G.Ch., no wit.; d. before date of gdfather's will (1,20,1821).
4.Elizabeth.b.6,1,1802; bp.E.G.Ch.,but date bp. not given, altho b. is given. This is Jane Eliza of her gdfather Lansing's will. Her mother d. when she was 7 ys.old, and apparently her name was changed to perpetuate her memory. She joined E.G.Ch.8,10,1820. When 18 ys. old she became an heiress of Margaret McKown, of Schodack, and at her own request her uncle Samuel R.Campbell was appointed guardian 3,5, 1821.
5.Maria Ann.b.1,28,1805; bp.E.G.Ch.3,10,1805,no wit. United E.G.Ch.11,24,1820; m.6,1,1824,James Spencer Willson; moved to Herkimer Co.; she d.5,17,1875. Their dau.Annie (b.5,3,1843; d.9,14,1908)m.1,22, 1861,Martin Rulisor (b.9,7,1832;d.3,29,1905); their dau. Margaret m. Edward W.Hoefler, of Ilion, N.Y.; she d. several years ago; her dau. Frances M. Hoefler lives (1946) 53 South 4th Ave., Ilion,N.Y.
6. (See next page.)

Children of Evert Lansing & Jeannette Campbell, Ctd.

6. James (James Evert). b.3,24,1807; bp.E.G.Ch.5,17,1807, no wit. Mentioned in gdfather's will dated 1,20, 1821. Married Mary L.Holsapple, and had: William T. b.8,30,1862; bp.E.G.Ch.6,6,1863, no wit.

5 of John E.Lansing & Maria Staats. John Staats Lansing.b. ....; bp.Kind.Ch.6,4,1775, wit.Johannes Staats and Cathrina Staats; m. his second cousin Elizabeth Cooper, dau. of Obadiah Cooper(the son of Thomas Cooper and his wife Elizabeth Van Buren) and his wife Annatje Vandenberg. John Staats Lansing and his wife Elizabeth Cooper lived on a farm in Greenbush Town that was given to him by his father.His father was a founder of E.G.Ch. in 1786, and John Staats Lansing and his wife were admitted as members 1,7,1798. He d. before 1,20,1821 (date of his father's will, in which he is referred to as "deceased"). His own will (dated 6,3,1800) left whole estate to "beloved wife Elizabeth so long as she remains my widow." After his death his widow married Gerrit Yates, whose first wife was Cornelia Lansing (a sister of John Staats Lansing). Elizabeth (Cooper) Yates is bur.in Clinton Heights Cem., about 3 mi. from E.G.Cem. The will of John Staats Lansing mentions two sons (John and Obadiah) and dau. Annatje. Apparently two other daughters were born to him after the date of his will, as they are mentioned,but not named, in will of his father, John E.Lansing. The executors of John Staats Lansing's will were "beloved wife Elizabeth," John E. Lansing (his father), Obadiah Cooper (his wife's father), and Jacob Van Alstyne: the witnesses were Gerrit Yates, Peter W.Witbeck, and Catriena Yates. The will was recorded 10,10,1828.

Children born to John Staats Lansing & Elizabeth Cooper.

1. Annatie.b.11,9,1797; m.1,17,1825, to Dr.Jacob S.Miller ; d.1,27,1855; bur.E.G.Cem.
2. John.b. 1798 ?

3. Obadiah Cooper.b.10,30,1799; bp.E.G.Ch.12,2,1799,wit. "Obadiah Cooper and wife" (parents of mother); m.1,14,1819,E.G.Ch., Gertrude Van Heusen. They lived at Greenbush till 1827, when they moved to Schaghticoke, Renss. Co., where they were members of D.Ref.Ch. In 1847 they moved to Schenectady Co., and settled at Scotia. She d.3,27, 1853, and he d.3,28,1853; Both were bur. in same grave 3,30,1853. Their "celebrated Lansing farm" at Scotia was sold 7,6,1853. Obadiah Cooper Lansing d. intestate, and his oldest son (John Staats Lansing, Second) was appointed Adm.4,1, 1853.

(For children see next page.)

Children born to Obadiah Cooper Lansing and Gertrude Van Heusen.

1. John Staats. b. in Greenbush 1819; m. Ursula Ann Chamberlin (b. Schenectady Co. 1820; d. and bur. at Scotia 1860). He d. 1899; bur. at Scotia. All of their children were b. in Schenectady Co., according to 1855 census. Her will (dated 11,19, 1860, and probated 1,12,1861) mentions husband John S. Lansing, father John Chamberlin, and following children: Abraham C., Penelope A., Andrew H., John S., and an infant child 2 weeks old, unnamed. Headstone of this unnamed child in Park Cem., Scotia, reads "Ursula 1860-1860."

2. "Garrett" Y. (Undoubtedly named for Gerrit Yates, of Greenbush, the step-father of Obadiah Cooper Lansing.) b.....1822, in Greenbush, Renss. Co., according to 1855 census of Schenectady Co.; m. Jemima Van Patten (b. 1828; d. 1904). He d. 1902. Both buried Park Cem., Scotia.

4 (of John Staats Lansing and Elizabeth Cooper). These 2
5 (" " " " " "). daughters, whose names have not been found, were born after the date of John Staats Lansing's will, but they are mentioned, but not by name, in the will of the father of John Staats Lansing, which was dated 1, 20,1821, and which mentions three granddaughters, the children of my deceased son John Staats Lansing.

6 (of John E. Lansing and Maria Staats). Abraham J. b. 3,13,1777; bp. 4,23,1777, wit. Abraham and Elizabeth White; m. 11,12,1797, to Maria Vanderheyden; d. at Troy, N.Y., 6,12,1828; bur. Mount Ida Cem., Troy. He is left property in his father's will, which also states: "To my grandsons, children of my son Abraham, all my real estate in Troy, they to give each of their sisters $100."

Children born to Abraham J. Lansing and Maria Vanderheyden.

1. Maria. b. 8,22,1798; bp. Schod. (Muit.) Ch. 9,23,1798, no wit.; m. Moses I. Winne. Both living at date of mother's will (3,23,1834).
2. Elizabeth. b. 6,9,1800; bp. Schod. (Muit.) Ch. 7,27,1800, wit. Jacob J. Van Der Heyden and Maria his wife. Must have d. before date of mother's will, and without children.
3. Jacob Van Der Heyden (Jacob V.H. of mother's will). b. 1802 ?; m. ; d. before date of mother's will, which mentions the following "children of my deceased son Jacob V.H. Lansing:" Melworth J. Lansing, Sarah Lansing, and Jacob V.H. Lansing.
4. John. b. 5,26,1804; bp. Schod. Ch. 6,17,1804, no wit. Must have d. before date of mother's will, and without children.
5. "Nanny Lyda" in Ch. record, Ann Alida of mother's will. b. 9,5,1805; bp. 10,19,1805, E.G.Ch., no wit.; m.... .....Boice. Living at date of mother's will (3, 23,1834).
6. Abraham Staats. b. 8,5,1807; bp. E.G.Ch. 9,6,1807, no wit. Living at date of mother's will.

7 (of John E. Lansing and Maria Staats). Alida. bp.Kind.Ch.4,11, 1779, wit."Jakob Staats and Elsje Staats J.D." (unm.J.D). (Is she the Alida Lansing who m.3,12,1807, Boght.Reg., Isaac A. Lansing? Or is she the "Lydia Lansing" who m. 11,31,1809, Fonda Ch., Abraham S. Veeder ? She must have d. rather young, because she is not mentioned in her father's will, which mentions all of his children and grandchildren.)

8.Maria (Polly). b.2,25,1781; bp.4,7,1781, Alb.Ch., wit.Christopher and Catharina Yates; m.8,21,1803, Wynant.Ch., John H.Van Rensselaer. Children:
John Lansing. b.9,27,1807; bp.11,29,1807,E.G.Ch.,no wit.
Killean.)
Maria. (Dates of bp. not found.
Cornelia.)

E.G.Ch.record, vol.1,p.111, states that "Polly Lansing, wife of John Van Rensselaer" united with the Ch.4,28, 1820. She and her children (John,Killean,Maria, and Cornelia) are mentioned in her father's will.

9.Catharina. b.5,20,1787; bp.Alb.Ch.6,24,1787, wit.Jacob and Annatje Van Aalstein. Died young, as neither she nor any children are mentioned in her father's will, which mentions all of his other children and grandchildren.

7 (of Annatje Cooper and Evert Lansing). Alexander. bp.12,25,1744, Schenectady D.Ref.Ch., wit.Alexander Lansing and Engeltje Van Slyk. Appears to have d.y. No further record. In 1773 his sister Catharina had a son bp. Alexander, and the sponsors were her sister Cornelia Lansing and her husband Hendrik Schermerhorn.

8.Annatje. bp.2,22,1756, Alb.Ch., wit. Gerrit E. and Cornelia Lansing; m.9,21,1775, Kind.Ch., vol.2,p.235,No.142, by Dominie Fryenmoet, to "Jacob Van Alstyne, merchant of Manor Rensselaerwyck, Alb.Co., and Annatje Lansing, of same place, spinster". Jacob Van Alstein and Annatje Lansing were wit. to bp.of Annatje of Christopher I.Yates and Catharina Lansing (Annatje's sister) 7,28,1776; Jacob and Annatje Van Alstein were wit. to bp. of Gerrit of Obadiah Lansing (Annatje's brother) and Cornelia Van Benthuysen 9,27,1778. They were wit.to bp. of Catharina of John E.Lansing (Annatje's brother) and Maria Staats 5,20,1781, and in Feb.1792 they were wit. to other bps. which show that she was the Annatje Lansing who m. Jacob Van Alstyne. They were members of E.G.Ch. May 1793; he was Deacon there 1793-4 and Elder 1797-8. Later they moved to Montgomery Co., and united with Fonda D.R.Ch. by ctf. 9,11,1802. Is listed as Elder of latter Ch. in 1807. He was one of executors of will of John Staats Lansing (nephew of Annatje) dated 6,3,1800. The only child positively identified as born to them was:

Cathalyntje. b.5,9,1779; bp.Alb.Ch.6,2,1779, wit. Reignier and Cornelia Van Alstein; m. Andrew Wimple.
Children born to Catalina Van Alstine & Andrew Wimple:

Evert Lansing. bp.Fonda Ch. 9,24,1802, no wit.
Christopher Yates. bp.Fonda Ch.3,17,1805, no wit.
Ann. bp. Fonda Ch.7,28,1807, no wit.
Douw Fonda. b.2,26,1810; bp. Fonda Ch., no wit.

JOHN COOPER (2ND CHILD). TAILOR AND FARMER.

John, the second child of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany, was born about 1715, doubtless at Albany, where his parents were living as early as 1713. Date of his baptism has not been found. He was married (1) on 10,2,1734 (Kinderhook Ch. records) to Elizabeth Gardenier, who probably is the "Lysbeth" of Samuel Gardenier and Helena Dirkse Bye who was bp. at 1st Dutch Ch.Alb. in 1701, wit. Burger Huyck and Rachel Dingman. (See "Ann.Alb.," by J.Munsell,vol.3,p.321.) This would make her several years older than John, but such marriages are said to have been common in those early days. Elizabeth was admitted to the Church of Jesus Christ at Kinderhook "Paschen 1728," and John "Kupper" was admitted 3,24,1745. Jan Couper and Elizabeth Couper were witnesses at bp. of Elizabeth of Japik Guardenier and Cathalyntje Guardenier at Kind.Ch. 3,4,1739. John and Elizabeth Cooper are recorded as witnesses at bp. at 1st D.Ch.Alb. 5,1,1743, of Johannis of Evert and Anna Lansing (Anna was John Cooper's sister), and as witnesses at bp. of Annatje of John Wheeler and Elizabeth [Gardenier] Wheeler at Kind.Ch. 1,24,1746. They appear to have moved to Fishkill, Dutchess Co. about 1744, although John is on the 1744 tax list of Kinderhook, and is the only Cooper on that list. He and his wife are recorded as members of the Fishkill D.Ref.Ch. on 9,2,1744, together with "Sara Schut, wife of William Cooper, Obedia Couper, and Maria Kouper" [wife of Evert Wynkoop Swart and sister of this John Cooper].William Cooper who m. Sarah Schutt was one of John's brothers, and the "Obedia Couper" listed as a member is also a brother of John. Whether all of those listed as members on 9,2,1744, really were members or simply in attendance at the service on that date is not known. We had supposed that Obadiah Cooper, Jr., did not move to Fishkill till after the death of his first wife (4,15,1748). The date of death of Elizabeth (Gardenier) Cooper has not been found,but her seat at Kind.Ch.was sold to others 2,19,1752,which is thought to be about the time of demise. John paid taxes at Fishkill from 1748-1779 plus (later records not searched). His will states that he was a tailor, but he also was a farmer, as he owned 6 slaves. He is recorded as a Deacon of the Dutch Ref. Ch. at Fishkill (the oldest church there), and is remembered in the will of his sister Mary (Cooper) Swart, wife of Capt. Evert Wynkoop Swart, of Rombout Precinct, Dutchess Co., dated 2,21,1787. (She left $100 to each brother and sister or to the children of those deceased.)

This John Cooper (then about 60 years old) is undoubtedly one of the John Coopers who, with his son Obadiah J. and other relatives,signed the Loyalty document at the home of Jacob Griffin on 8,15,1775. He also appears to be the John Cooper who enlisted in the 4th Regt. of the Line (Col.James Holmes, Col. Henry B. Livingston, Lt.Col.Pierre Regneir, and Lt. Col. Frederick Weissenfels). His brother Abraham (then about 49 years old) enlisted, and served briefly, in the 5th Regt. of the Line, but this John Cooper appears from the records not to have engaged in active military service. His only son (Obadiah J.), however, did serve actively.

This John Cooper (who died in 1791) is listed in 1790 census as living at Fishkill, with the following family:

Head of family and males over 16 yrs., 1. [Himself.]
Males under 16 ys., none.
Females, 3. [Wife, possibly his youngest dau. Maria (the date of whose marriage to Andrew Otterson has not been found), and a helper.]
Other persons, none.
Slaves, 5.

John Cooper's second wife was Ruth Wiltse. (The name of this family is spelled Wiltsie on headstones in Fishkill Cem., but the present spelling is Wiltse.) The date of this marriage has not been found, but existing records of the Dutch Ref.Ch. at Fishkill contain the following items which prove that he was the John Cooper who married Ruth Wiltse:

Annatje of John Cooper and Ruth Wiltse, b.7,30,1758; bp.8,27,1758, wit. William Cooper [John's brother] and his wife.

Annatje of Abraham Cooper [John's brother] and Catharina Ostrander. bp.11,29,1758, wit. John Cooper and Ruth Wiltse.

Cornelia of Cornelius Cooper [John's brother] and Elizabeth Van Ambergh. bp.11,22,1759, wit. John Cooper and Ruth Wiltse.

Mariah of John Cooper and Ruth Wiltse. bp.1,12,1762, wit. Deborah Cooper [the oldest child (18 ys.) of John Cooper's recently (1761) deceased brother William, of Fishkill].

The date of Ruth Wiltse's death has not been found, but John was m. (3) to Martha ..... (name and date not found), who is the wife affectionately referred to in his will (dated 7,1,1790), a brief digest of which is given farther along. There appear not to have been any children born of his third marriage.

Children born to John Cooper and his first wife, Elizabeth Gardenier.

1. Cornelia. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 3,8,1740, wit. Obedia and Cornelia Couper [John's parents]; m. before 4,21,1794 (date of Albany Court-House document here included) to Benjamin Montanje or Montange. Records of Dutch Ref. Ch. New York City (N.Y.Gen. & Biog.Record, vol.61,p.375) list Cornelia Cooper, wife of Benjamin Montange, as a member in Nov.1788. She is mentioned in her father's will, and she and her husband both signed the 1794 Albany Court-House document. We have not found record of children, if any.
2. Samuel. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 9,27,1741, wit. "Obediah Couper Jr." [John's brother] and Elizabeth "Couper" [John's sister, b. 1724 and m. to Abraham Jacobse Lansing in 1744]. This child apparently was named for his maternal grandfather, Samuel Gardenier, or his mother's brother Samuel. From fact that John Cooper's will (dated 7,1,1790) does not mention this son, also that the 1794 Albany Court-House document does not mention his name or the name or names of any children born to him, and that we have been unable to obtain any further information regarding him, it seems reasonable to conclude that he died after his father's removal to Fishkill about 1744. (The Samuel Cooper of Fishkill Trinity Ch. records is not this Samuel, because those records give birth as 6,13,1757, wife's name Mary Norton (b.9,21,1761), and list 8 children born to them.)
3. Obadiah (also known as Obadiah J., meaning son of John, and, erroneously, as Obadiah I., the J evidently having been mistaken for I). He was a carpenter, blacksmith, and wheelwright of Fishkill, where he was born 8,8,1749. He m. Mary Cooper (dau. of.....?), who d. at some time between 4,21,1794 (date of Albany Court-House deed, which is signed Mary (Cooper) Cooper) and 8,6,1803 (date of his marriage to his cousin "Mary Thorne, widow," at Fishkill D.Ref.Ch.). Obadiah's first wife was living 5,1,1798, when she and her husband signed a mtg. on 45 acres of land at Fishkill. Benjamin Thorne, the first husband of Mary (Cooper) Thorne, d. between 4,21,1794 (date

of Alb. deed) and 8,4,1795, because she is mentioned in will of her brother Obadiah O. Cooper, bearing that date, as a widow). This Obadiah Cooper undoubtedly is the Obadiah J. Cooper who, with several relatives, signed the Loyalty document on 8,15,1775, at the house of Jacob Griffin, also the "Obadiah J. or I. Cooper" who served in Brinckerhoff's Regt. (2d of Dutchess Co. Militia). (See "N.Y. in the Rev." and also his receipt cards at Archives Building, Washington, D.C., which show that he served Oct.6, to Oct. 27,1777, also in 1779 and 1780. The 2nd ed. of "N.Y. in the Rev.," p.136, lists both Obadiah J. and Obadiah I. Cooper, but in this case the I. should have been T. Obadiah T. was the son of Thomas Cooper of Albany, and a cousin of Obadiah J., and his name is correctly spelled on the receipt cards at Archives Building, Washington, D.C., as Obadiah T.).This Obadiah J. Cooper is not listed in the 1790 census. He is, however, the Obadiah "I." Cooper who is listed in the 1800 census as residing in Fishkill Town, with a family consisting of:

Males under 10 ys., 1.	Females under 10 ys.,2.
Males 10-16 ys., 1.	Females 16-26 ys., 1.
Males 16-26 ys., 1.	Females 45 plus ys., 1.
Males 45 plus ys., 1.	

We have not been able to find the names of the children born to Obadiah J. Cooper and Mary (Cooper) Cooper. (Query: Who was the father of Mary Cooper, his first wife?) This Obadiah J. Cooper is not listed in 1810 or 1820 censuses of Dutchess Co. His estate was not administered through the Surrogate's Office of that County, nor was the estate of his second wife administered there. He is mentioned in will of his father.

(The John Cooper of Clermont Town, Columbia Co., whose will (probated 6,20,1811) mentions sons John I., Jeremiah, Jacob, Martin, and Peter I., daughters Hannah, Cathrine, Elizabeth, and Margaret, and grandsons Thomas, Israel, and John, the children of deceased son Martin, could not have been a son of this Obadiah J. Cooper, but the Obadiah Cooper who is said to have left Dutchess Co. in 1802 and settled in Ontario could have been the son 16 to 26 years old in 1800 census.But, see also note No.4, under Addenda.)

We are uncertain whether John's next child (Elizabeth) was born to him and his first wife (Elizabeth Gardenier) or to him and his second wife (Ruth Wiltse). But from the wording of his will (which treats his bequest to "my daughter Cornelia" separately from his bequests to "my other three daughters, that is to say Elizabeth, Annatje, and Maria") it seems reasonable to conclude that "the other three daughters" were the children of his second wife. (Ruth Wiltse appears to have been an older sister of John Wiltse (son of Cornelius Wiltse and Elizabeth Cornell) who was born at Fishkill 11,3,1773, moved to Duanesburg, Schenectady Co., where he d. 11,18, 1826, leaving a son Benjamin, who had 4 sons and 3 daughters.)

Children born to John Cooper and his second wife, Ruth Wiltse, of Fishkill.

1. Elizabeth. b. at Fishkill about 1756; m. Jacob Terwilliger, who was named one of executors of her father's will (dated 7,1,1790). She and her husband signed 1794 Alb.deed. Children:
Ruth. b.10,1,1782; bp.New Hurley D.Ref.Ch. 6,22,1782,no wit.
Obadiah.b.2,10,1790; bp. ditto 2,28,1790," "
Philip.b.7,17,1794; " " 8,19,1794," "
Isaac and Abraham. b.8,24,1796; bp. same Ch.8,26,1796,no wit.

2. Annatje.b.7,30,1758; bp.D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill 8,27,1758, wit.William Cooper [brother of John] and his wife; m. John Terbush of Fishkill, who is mentioned in will of her father (dated 7,1,1790) as her husband. She and her husband both signed the 1794 Alb.deed. Children:
Ruth. b.11,16,1783; bp.D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill 12,11,1783.
Jemimah.b.6,21,1786;bp. same Ch. 10,1,1786.

3. Maria. bp.1,12,1762, D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill, wit. Deborah Cooper [oldest child (18 ys.) of John Cooper's recently (1761) deceased brother William, of Fishkill]; m. before 4,21,1794 (date of Alb.deed) to Andrew Otterson. Mentioned in her father's will.

Interesting items from will of John Cooper (second child of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany).

Will dated Fishkill, Dutchess Co., July 1,1790. Probated at Poughkeepsie, N.Y., Oct. 15,1791.

"To beloved wife Martha all and all manner of estate whatsoever and wheresoever that she was possessed of and entitled to at the time and immediately before my marrying her what is in my possession to be delivered to her after my decease and also I give and bequeath unto my aforesaid wife and to her and her heirs and assigns forever with the aforesaid what she brought to me the sum of twenty pounds current money to her and her heirs and assigns forever in lieu of her dower out of my estate after my decease."

To son Obadiah one-tenth part of remainder of both real and personal estate, as he has had more than my other children.

To daughter Cornelia the income of one-fourth part of the real and personal estate "during her natural life, and after her decease her portion to be divided among my other three daughters, that is to say Elizabeth, Annatje and Maria."

To aforesaid three daughters, that is to say Elizabeth, Annatje and Maria, each one-fourth part of real and personal estate.

(He then refers to what became known as the Third Land Patent (described on other pages of this volume) and gives instructions regarding it.)

Sole executors to be "my dearly beloved friend Nathaniel Sackett and my two loving sons in law Jacob Ter Wiliger and John Ter Bush."

THOMAS COOPER (3RD CHILD)

Thomas Cooper, the third child of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany, was born in 1716 or 1717, doubtless at Albany, where his parents were living as early as 1713. Date of his baptism has not been found. He was married (1) to Elizabeth Van Buren, on 10,4,1742 (records 1st D.Ch.Alb). She was a dau. of Pieter Van Buren and Gertrude Vosburgh (the latter a dau. of Pieter and Jannetje (Barents) Vosburgh, and b. about 1691). Elizabeth (Van Buren) Cooper was b. 1,11,1718,and buried 9,11,1748 (records same Ch.). At some date between 11,12,1749 (when he and his sister Sarah were sponsors at the baptism of John of "Abram I. Lansing" (Abraham Jacobse Lansing) and Elizabeth Cooper (sister of Thomas) and 8,5,1750 (when "Thomas and Margarita Cooper" were sponsors at the bapt. of Sara of Abram DeForeest and Rebecca Van Antwerpen) he was m. (2) to Margarita Van Antwerpen,the only mother his only living child (Obadiah, about 5 ys. old) ever knew. In 1759 "Margarita Cooper, wife of Thomas Cooper" is recorded as owner of seat 73 in 1st D.Ch.Alb. On 7,5,1761, Thomas and "Margaritje" Van Antwerpen were sponsors at bapt. of Tryntje of Abraham Peek and Catharina Peek, at same Ch. On 10,24,1762, Thomas and Margarita Cooper were sponsors at the bapt. of Obadiah of Abraham Cooper and Catharina Ostrander; on 9,6, 1767 (same Ch.) they were sponsors at bapt. of Thomas of Jacobus (James) Parker Benthuysen and Sara Cooper (sister of Thomas); on 7,29, 1770 (same Ch.), they were sponsors at bapt.of Elizabeth No.1 of Obadia Cooper (son of Thomas) and Annatje Vandenburg; and on 7,14,1775 (same Ch.) they were sponsors at bapt. of Elizabeth No. 2 of Obadiah Cooper (son of Thomas) and Annatje Vandenburg.

Thorough search of the records of 1st D.Ch. Alb. has not yielded date of their marriage there, so they probably were married elsewhere. Nor have we found record of any children born to Thomas and Margarita Cooper. The Dutch Settlers Society Year Book 1932-34 states that Margarita Cooper was buried from 1st D.Ch.Alb. 1,23,1786.

Thomas Cooper spent his entire life at Albany, and,although nearly 60 years old, he is listed in the First Regt. of Albany Co. Militia, Capt. John Scott, and Lt. William Tillman, together with his son (Obadiah T.) and several nephews. The 1790 and 1800 censuses of Albany Co. list him as living with his son Obadiah in the First Ward, Albany. He died 2,23,1801. No will or Lett. Adm. of either Thomas or Margarita Cooper are on record at Albany. He probably gave all he had to his only child (Obadiah T.) during his lifetime.

Children born to Thomas Cooper and his first wife (Elizabeth Van Buren). (4 in number.)

1. Obadiah [No.1]. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 11,6,1743, wit. "Obeie" [brother of Thomas, as Thomas's father died in 1742] and Cornelia "Couper" [mother of Thomas] ; buried from same Ch.12,3,1743.
2. Obadiah [No.2] . (Also called Obadiah T. - son of Thomas.) bp.1st D. Ch.Alb.10,19,1744, wit. Obadiah [brother of Thomas] and Cornelia Cooper [mother of Thomas] ; m.5,27,1769, 1st D.Ch. to Annatje (Hannah) Vandenburg,"both of Albany." His entire life appears to have been spent at Albany. He appears to be the "Obedia Koepper" who is listed on p.80b of "Collections of Albany," by J.Munsell, as in 1754 being "part owner of seat No.32 in the men's gallery of 1st D.Ch.Alb." He was only 10 years old then, and the inclusion of his name as "part owner" is interpreted as an indulgence of his fond father, whose only child he was. (His grandfather Obadiah died in 1742 and his uncle Obadiah had moved to Fishkill in 1748.)

On 4,5,1771, he was appointed by Albany Common Council as a watchman for the city, and on 11,19,1774, he was appointed Fire Master of Third Ward, Albany. He served in Rev. War (Brinckerhoff's Regt., 2nd of Dutchess Co. Militia), according to 1779 and 1780 receipt card on file at Archives Bldg., Washington, D.C. (In "N.Y.in Rev.," by J.A.Roberts, p.136 of 2d ed., he is listed as Obadiah I. Cooper. There was no Obadiah I. Cooper. The receipt card at Archives Building has his name correctly spelled -- Obadiah T.) He also is listed in 1st Regt. Albany Co. Militia (Capt. John Scott and Lt. William Tillman), in which his father also is listed. The Obadiah Cooper mentioned in the following five documents is undoubtedly Obadiah T. Cooper, the only son of Thomas Cooper of Albany, as he was the only Obadiah Cooper living at Albany on the dates mentioned:

1. "Public Papers of George Clinton,"vol.6,p.733,No.3608:
   "Three Albany Companies consolidated into two." xx
   Capt. Jacob Roseboom's Com'y to begin at the City Hall of the City of Albany, thence West up a Lane to the Corner House of Obadiah Cooper, thence North into the Corner House of Edward Butler,thence West up Churchyard Street, taking all residing to the North of the above Line as far as the first Ward of said City extends. Capt. John Scott's Com'y to be composed of all those residents in above Ward to the South of Capt. Roseboom's Com'y.
   V.Vechten
   Bery
   Henry
   Capt.Roseboom's
   Ob. Cooper
   Butler Churchyard Street."
   [The foregoing paper is not dated, but occurs in the midst of papers bearing the date 1781.]
2. Book Deeds No.21,p.181. Dated 7,23,1792. Lease (made by Elders and Deacons of Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of city of Albany to Obadiah Cooper, of the same place, Innkeeper) of land in First Ward of Albany, on NE. corner of Washington and Rensselaer Streets.
3. Book Mtgs., No. 12, p.422: Mtg. $500, given 9,10, 1802, by Obadiah Cooper, of Albany, to Garret F. Visscher, of Albany, on dwelling house and lot, on corner of Sturgeon Lane, Court St., and Church St. (Paid in full and discharged 2,7,1810.)
4. Book Mtgs., No. 13,pp.169-170: Mtg. $1937.50, given 5,18,1804, by Obadiah Cooper of Albany, to Herman Ten Eyck, Nicholas Bleecker, Henry Bleecker, and John Fryer, all of Albany City, on dwelling house and lot on corner of Grass Lane and Hudson St. (Paid in full and discharged 10,16,1804.)
5. Book Deeds No. 21,p.183, records sale of the Lease (first on above list) by Obadiah Cooper, of City of Albany,and wife Maria to John Taylor of Albany on 4,8,1826. (Wife signed herself Mary Cooper. She apparently was a second wife.)

In the census reports this Obadiah Cooper is listed as follows:

1790 Census, First Ward, Albany.

Head of family and white males over 16 yrs.,2. [Himself and his father, whose second wife died in 1786.]
White males under 16 yrs., 1. [As he had no sons this must be a gdson or some other relative, or a helper.]
Females, 6. [Wife and 5 unmarried daughters.]

1800 Census, First Ward, Albany.

Males over 45 yrs., 2. [Himself (b.1744) and his widower father, who d.1801.]
Females up to 10 yrs., 2. [Rachel (b.1791) and a gddau.?]
Females 10-16 yrs., 2. [Margareta (b.1787) and Cathalyna (b.1785).]
Females 45 yrs.,etc., 1. [Wife, who d. 1801.]
All other persons except Indians,1. [Relative or helper.]

1810 Census, First Ward, Albany.

Males 45 yrs., etc., 1. [Himself.]
Females 16-26 yrs., 1. [Unmarried dau.]
Females 45 ys., etc., 1. [Second wife ??]

Annatje Vandenburg, wife of Obadiah T. Cooper, d.6,21,1801, aged 50 ys., 3m.,15 ds. (Headstone Cem.D.Ref.Ch.Alb.) In Ch. record of her burial (6,23,1801) she is called "Mrs.Hadiah Cooper," at least that is the way the handwriting has been translated and published. Her headstone reads Hannah Van Denburgh, wife of Obadiah Cooper.

The fact that this Obadiah Cooper is listed in 1810 census but not in 1820 census might seem to indicate that he died between those years, or that in 1820 he (then 76 years old) was living with one of his daughters. But, from the indenture on page 183 of Book of Deeds No. 21 at Albany Court House (dated April 8,1826, and digested on the preceding page), he appears to have remarried and to have been then living, aged 82 years.

Children born to Obadiah T. Cooper & Annatje Vandenburg.

1. Elizabeth. b.7,1,1770; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.7,29,1770, wit. Thomas and Margarita Cooper. Died young.
2. Elizabeth (No.2). bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.7,14,1775, wit. Thomas and Margarita Cooper; m.(1) John Staats LANSING (her 2nd cousin, he being a son of John Evert Lansing and his first wife, Maria Staats),of East Greenbush. Both recorded as members of E.G.Ch.1,7,1798.

(For children born to Elizabeth Cooper and John Staats Lansing see next page.)

Children born to Elizabeth Cooper & John Staats Lansing.

1. Annatje. b.11,9,1797; m.1,17,1825, to Dr.Jacob S. Miller, of Greenbush; d. 1,27,1855; bur. East Greenbush Cem.
2. John. b. 1798.
3. Obadiah Cooper. b.10,30,1799; bp.E.G.Ch.12,2,1799,wit. Obadiah Cooper and wife; m. Gertrude Van Hoesen. Lived for many years at Scotia, Schenectady Co., N.Y., where he d.3,28,1853, and where he and his wife are buried in same grave, she having preceded him in death by one day. Many of their descendants are buried near them in the Park Cem. at Scotia.He was an outstanding citizen of Schenectady Co.

4 and 5. Two daughters were born after the date of John Staats Lansing's will (dated 6,3,1800, and probated at Troy in 1828).The will of Johannes Evert Lansing of Schodack (father of John Staats Lansing), dated 1,20,1821, mentions "three granddaughters, children of my deceased son John Staats Lansing," but does not give their names, and we have been unable to identify them in the church records.

The will of John Staats Lansing left "all my real and personal estate to my beloved wife Elizabeth during the time she shall remain my widow." Some time after her husband's death Elizabeth (Cooper) Lansing m. (2) Gerrit Yates, of Greenbush, one of the witnesses to will of John Staats Lansing. The first wife of Gerrit Yates was Cornelia Lansing, a sister of John Staats Lansing. This marriage appears to have been acceptable to her children. Her son Obadiah Cooper Lansing named his first son John Staats Lansing and named his second son Gerrit Yates Lansing. Elizabeth (Cooper) Lansing d.8,25,1849 (aged 74 y. 1 m.,11 ds.) and is buried in the Greenbush Cem. (formerly called Clinton Heights Cem.), Renss. Co., which is about 3 mi. from East Greenbush Cem. Her headstone reads: "Elizabeth Cooper, wife of Gerrit Yates."No record of children born to Elizabeth Cooper & Gerrit Yates.

3.(Of Obadiah T. Cooper and Annatje Vandenburg.):
Cornelia. b.10,10,1777; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 11,6,1777,wit. Cornelis and Cornelia Vandenburg; m., same Ch.,1, 10,1799, to Garrit De Garmo. He d.12,19,1809,aged 34 (or 39?) ys., 5 m., 9 ds. She d. 6,30,1818,aged 39 ys., 9 m., 9 ds. Both buried Cem. 1st D.Ch.Alb. Children:

1. Jacob.b.10,11,1799; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.10,27, 1799, wit.Isaac Hansen.
2. Annatie.bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.8,6,1801,wit.Obadiah Cooper.
3. Cornelia Vandenburg. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.4,28, 1803, no wit.
4. Benjamin.b.3,31,1806; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.4,20, 1806, no wit.; d.4,25,1807; buried from 1st D.Ch.Alb.

4. (Of Obadiah T. Cooper & Annatje Vandenburg):

Jannatje (Jane). b.9,4,1781; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.9,9,1781, wit.Abram (Abraham) Cooper and Marytje Veeder; m. 7,3,1798,1st D.Ch.Alb. to Isaac HANSEN. She d.1,19, 1815. He d.3,4,1818,aged 40 y.,2 m., 26 d. Both buried 1st D.Ch.Alb.Cem.

1. John. b. ; bp.3,4,1801,1st D.Ch.Alb.
2. Ann Mariah. b. ; bp.5,2,1803, same Ch.
3. Gertrude. b.9,15,1806; d.4,28,1808;buried 1st D. Ch. Alb. Cem.
4. Obadiah Cooper.b.7,22,1807; d.12,18,1809; buried 1st D.Ch.Alb.Cem.
5. Gertrude.b.5,6,1809; d.7,27,1809; buried 1st D. Ch. Alb.Cem.
6. Cornelia.bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.5,20,1811.

Carolina ?? (Pearson Genealogy lists a Carolina,d.10, 15,1837,aged 56 years. He must have gotten this from a headstone. The date would make her b.1781. Pearson suggests she may be a twin of Jannetje. (But she may belong to some other Cooper family.)

5. Cathalyna. b.3,20,1785; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.4,3,1785, wit. Peter Witbeck and Rachel Skidmore; m. ?
6. Margarita. b.11,28,1787; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb. 12,23,1787, wit. Matheus and Annatje V. d. Bergh; m. ?
7. Rachel. b.8,13,1791; bp. 1st D.Ch. Alb. 8,21,1791,wit. Elizabeth Cooper; m. 1,26,1809. to Abraham ACKERMAN at 1st D.Ch.Alb.
   1. Cornelius. bp.Middleburgh Ref.D.Ch.,Schoharie Co., 3,18,1829. no wit.

Children of Thomas Cooper & Elizabeth Van Buren - Cont'd.

3. Jannetie. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 1,12,1746, wit.Henrik P. and Geertruyd V.Buren; buried from same Ch. 2,14,1746.
4. Elizabeth. bp. same Ch. 10,23,1748, wit. Cornelis and Magdalena V. Buren; buried from same Ch. 1,22,1749. (The mother was buried there 9,11,1748, and probably died of childbirth.)

WILLIAM COOPER (4TH CHILD). FARMER AND CARPENTER.

William, 4th child of Obadiah Cooper, tailor of Albany, was bp. 1st D.Ref.Ch.Alb.10,5,1718,wit.Cornelis & Jacomyn Mausen[Van Buren].He was m. (Saugerties Ref.D. Ch., Ulster Co.) 10,30,1743, to Sarah Schutt, "both of Albany Co." Soon after his marriage he moved to Fishkill, Dutchess Co., because "Sarah Schutt, wife of William Cooper" is listed as a member of the Dutch Ref. Ch. at Fishkill 9,2,1744. He paid taxes in Rombout Precinct, Dutchess Co., 1748-1761, and his estate paid them in 1762. His will (executed at Rombout Precinct, Dutchess Co., 4,29, 1760, and probated at Albany 4,18,1761) leaves "use and income from all my real and personal estate to my dearly beloved wife Sarah, to maintain her and my children as long as she remains my widow." The will mentions his father ("Obadiah Cooper, deceased"), but does not give the names of his children. Executors named were brother John Cooper, Jonathan Dubois, Elizabeth Dubois, and wife Sarah. His children are mentioned, but not named, in will of his sister Mary (Cooper) Swart, of Rombout Precinct, dated 2,21,1787, and recorded at Poughkeepsie 7,23, 1792. Owing to the fact that most of the records of the Dutch Reformed Church at Fishkill covering the 1700ds are missing, complete information regarding births and marriages of his children has not been obtained. However, the 1794 Albany deed quoted on a preceding page of this volume lists his children as Obadiah W., Myndert, William, Cornelia (wife of Abraham Hermance), Mary (wife of George Brett), and Elizabeth (wife of Simon Terbush), deceased. (It is possible that his widow, Sarah (Schutt) Cooper, may be the Sarah Cooper who married Eleazer Du Bois 11,10,1772, according to "N.Y.Mar.Lic.")

Children born to William Cooper and Sarah Schutt.

1. Debora. bp.Saugerties Ref.D.Ch. 9,11,1744, wit. Henrick Schut and Cornelia Cooper [the latter the mother of William]; m..... Simeon Terbos (Terbush); d. before 1794 Albany deed, in which her son is mentioned as one of the heirs of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany. In the latter document, however, she is called "Elizabeth", with the statement that she is deceased, also that she was the daughter of William Cooper, deceased, the mother of William Terbush, and the wife of Simeon Terbush. Either Debora in later life became known to her relatives as "Elizabeth," or, more probably, her first cousin James Cooper, who acted as attorney for all the Fishkill heirs in the 1794 transaction, made a mistake in recording her name, which would not be surprising, in view of the multiplicity of his cousins, several of whom bore the name Elizabeth, and whom he probably saw only infrequently. The records of marriages at Fishkill Ch. between 9,21,1755, and 2,11,1784, are missing, but the baptismal records contain the following:

   William, of Simeon Ter Bos and Debora Cooper, bp.8,19, 1764, wit. Sarah Cooper [Deborah's mother ; her father d. 1761].

2. Cornelia. b. about 1746; m.(records of Fishkill Ch. btw.1755 and 1784 are missing, but on 1,17,1766, "N.Y.Mar.Lic." records license to Abraham Heermance and Cornelia Cooper. Abraham was originally a tailor at Fishkill (where he paid taxes 1762 and 1763, and where they undoubtedly were married). Later he became a resident of Ulster Co., where his children were born and baptized. He and his wife both signed the 1794 Albany deed of property of Obadiah Cooper the early tailor of Albany.

Children born to Abraham Heermance and Cornelia Cooper.

1. Jan. bp.Kingston D.Ref.Ch.7,1,1765, sps.Jan Heermanse and Engeltie Heermanse.
2. Willem. bp. (same Ch.) 6,4,1769, sps. Mindert Cooper and Maria Cooper [brother and sister of Cornelia].
3. Jacomyntjen. bp. (same Ch.) 1,15,1772, sps. Jan Macklean and Jacomyntjen Heermans. Died young.
4. Abraham. bp. (same Ch.) 6,4,1773, sps. John Maklean and Jacomyntjon Heermanse; m. Maria Van Steenbergh, and had:
   Ann. b.4,16,1809; bp. (same Ch.) 5,19,1809, no wit.
5. Jacobus. bp. (same Ch.) 2,1,1778, wit. Jacob Heermanse and Marretje Wittaker.
6. Jacob. bp. (same Ch.) 9,2,1780, wit. Jacob Heermanse and Marretje Whittaker.
7. Jacomeintje. bp. (same Ch.) 8,24,1783, wit. Jan Heermanse and Sarah Heermanse.
8. Obadiah. bp. (same Ch.) 1,1,1786, wit. Obadiah [W.] Cooper and Mareitje van Benschoten. [Obadiah W. Cooper was oldest brother of this Cornelia Cooper, and Maria Van Benschoten was his wife.]

3. Obadiah W. Farmer, wheelwright, and wagon builder, of Fishkill Town (near Wappinger Town), Dutchess Co. Born 10,18,1750 (headstone); m.1,2,1775, Maria Van Benschoten (b.12,21,1749; d.1,17,1828, headstone), a dau. of Tunis Van Benschoten of New Hackensack, Dutchess Co. Obadiah W.Cooper d.6,21,1807. Both he and wife are buried in Cem. of D.Ref.Ch. at New Hackensack. He was an Elder of that Ch. in 1786, and also Associator of Rombout Precinct. He was also an Elder in D.Ref.Ch. at Fishkill. Three of his children were bp. at the New Hackensack Ch. He was one of the signers of the Articles of Association (dated 8,15,1775) issued preparatory to the Rev.War., and served (without using his middle initial) in the 3rd Regt. of Albany Co. Militia and in the 2nd Regt. of Dutchess Co. Militia, according to his headstone in New Hackensack Cem. He was one of executors of will of Elisha Dubois, farmer of Rombout Precinct, which was dated 10,20, 1783. (See "Fernow's Calendar of Wills.") The will of Obadiah W.Cooper (dated 12,11,1805, and probated 4,2,1808) mentions wife Mariah; son Matthew; dau.Sarah,now wife of Samuel L.Van Voorhis; dau.Hannah, now widow of Garret Dubois; and sons William, Elias, and Teunis; executors, sons William and Elias and brother-in-law [son-in-law] Samuel L.Van Voorhis.

The 1790 census lists Obadiah W.Cooper in Fishkill Town,with family of:
Head of family & males over 16 ys., 3. [Himself,son William, and relative or helper ?]
Males under 16 ys., 4. [Sons Elias, Matthew, and Tunis, and a relative.]
Females, 3. [Wife, daughters Sarah and Hannah.]
Other persons, none.
Slaves, 2.

The 1800 census lists him in Fishkill Town, with family of:
Males 10-16 ys., 2. [Sons Matthew and Tunis.]
Males 16-26 ys., 2. [Sons William and Elias.]
Males 45 plus ys.. 1. [Himself.]

Census continued on next page.

Females 16-26 ys., 1. } (Both daughters were married be-
Females 26-45 ys., 1. } fore 1800, so these must be other relatives or helpers.)
Females 45 plus ys., 1. [Wife.]
Slaves, 2.

Obadiah W. Cooper and his wife both signed the 1794 Albany deed.

Children born to Obadiah W.Cooper and Maria Van Benschoten.

(Much of the material regarding the descendants of this couple was obtained from an 800-page volume entitled "The Van Benschoten family in America," published in 1907.)

1. Sarah. b.1,24,1776 (headstone); m.12,6,1797 (Fishkill D.Ref.Ch.) to Samuel L.Van Voorhees (b.12,26,1772; d.9,28,1848 (headstone), a son of Zacharias Van Voorhees and Anna Lawrence. Sarah d.8,9,1859 (headstone). Both buried in Cem.D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill. He was one of executors of will of Sarah's father.

Children born to Sarah Cooper & Samuel L.Van Voorhees.

1. Zachariah. b.9,12,1798; bp.11,1,1798,Fishkill D. R.Ch.; m.12,15,1830, to Mrs.Jane Ann Deering, born Van Amburgh; d.9,15,1879. Farmer near Wappinger Falls,Dutchess Co.
2. Obadiah. b.9,1,1800; m. (1) 1,8,1824, to Miriam Haight (b.1,4,1804; d.4,11,1835); m. (2) to Maria Haight (b.12,3,1804; d.4,16,1880). He d. 11,3,1878; bur. New Hackensack Cem. Was a farmer at Myers Corners, Dutchess Co.
3. Peter. b.7,28,1802; bp.Fish.D.R.Ch.9,19,1802; m.(1) 12,2,1824, Jane Robinson (d.11,7,1858); m.(2) 12,1,1859, Mrs. Mary R. Sands. He lived chiefly at Vineland, N.J.
4. Mary Ann. b.12,9,1803; bp.Fish.D.R.Ch.3,18,1804; d. 6,20,1844, unm.; bur.Fish.Cem.
5. Coert Alexander. b.3,4,1806; bp.Fish.D.R.Ch.5,18, 1806; d.10,24,1875, unm. Farmer. Lived in and also near Fishkill village.
6. William C. b.6,7,1807; m.12,3,1834,Sarah Earl (b. 8,2,1815; d.11,18,1875); d.2,21,1871. Farmer. Lived near Fishkill village.
7. Hannah. b.7,25,1811; bp.Fish.D.R.Ch.10,18,1811; d. 11,25,1812; bur.Fish.Cem.
8. Catherine. b.5,10,1813; bp.Fish.D.R.Ch.7,29,1813; d. unm. 4,1,1889. Lived with her brother Coert A.
9. Jacob Van Benschoten. b.11,11,1815; m.3,21,1838, to Ann Eliza Van Voorhees (b.2,10,1817; d.9,21, 1869); d.4,11,1887. Lived on farm,willed him by his great uncle Jacob V.Benschoten,near Wappingers Falls.

Albina. b.9,17,1839; m.2,15,1865, Samuel L. Dearin. "Lives on homestead," according to book published 1907.

2. Hannah (Nautche).b.11,29,1778; m.12,1,1796,Fish.D.R.Ch. to Gerrit Du Bois (b.11,4,1769; d.8,10,1802). She d. 6,10,1854. Both bur.Cem.Fish.D.R.Ch. (Gerrit was son of Christian Du Bois Jr. (b.6,13,1746) and Magdalena Van Voorhees (b.4,13,1744), and was a farmer at Fishkill Hook, Dutchess Co.)Children:
   1.Maria.b.4,22,1798; bp.Fish.D.R.Ch.5,27,1798; m.Peter P.B.Montfort (b.11,10,1795; d.2,26, 1854). She d.10,13,1836. He was farmer.Lived on Fishkill Plains. (Their children & grandchildren are listed pp.59-60 of Van Benschoten Gen.)
   2.Charles L.b.10,26,1799; bp.Fish.D.R.Ch.12,16, 1799; m.2,25,1824, Catherine Hasbrouck (b. 3,17,1800; d.6,5,1880); d.1,31,1878. (Children & gdchildren p.60 Van Bent.Gen.)
   3.Eliza.b.8,21,1801; bp.Fish.D.R.Ch.9,21,1801.

3. William.b.7,16,1781; m.9,22,1820, to Amy Myers (b.4,24, 1802; d.2,21,1893); d.5,2,1848.
This William Cooper was named one of executors of his father's will (dated 12,11,1805, and probated 4,2,1808). His brother Tunis, of Fishkill, remembered him in his will (dated 1,27,1840, and probated at Poughkeepsie 8,24,1849).

1790 and 1800 censuses list him in father's family in Fishkill Town.
1810 census lists him at Fishkill, with family of:
Males 16-26 ys., 2.[Brother Elias (b.1783,m.1812) and brother Matthew (b.1785; d.1811).]
Males 26-45 ys., 2. [Brother Tunis (b.1787; m. about 1816) and William himself (b.about 1774).]
Males 45 plus ys., 1. [Relative or helper. Ob.W., father of William, d. in 1808.]
Females 16-26 ys., 1. [Probably helper.]
Females 26-45 ys., 1. [Wife of William.]
Females 45 plus ys., 1. [Mother of William, who d.1828.]

1820 census lists this Wm.Cooper at Fishkill,with family of:
Males 10-16 ys., 1.
Males 26-45 ys., 1. [Himself, 47 ys.old.]
Females 16-26 ys., 1. [Wife.]
Females 45 plus ys., 1. [Mother, who d.1828.]
He appears to be the William Cooper listed at Fishkill in 1830 census, with family of : 1 male 40-50 ys.; 1 female 5-10 ys., and 2 females 20-30 ys.

Children born to William Cooper and Amy Myers.

1.Sarah.b.1,9,1825; m.1,6,1852, to Benjamin Standley; d. 9,9,1901. Lived in Brooklyn; he an engraver.
2.Napoleon B.b.11,18,1833; m.6,18,1856, to Clementine Lucky. At first lived in homestead, later in Brooklyn. She d.9,6,1893; he d.8,12,1895.
3.Calvin.b.8,15,1836; m.Theresa Earl. Lived on homestead, later at Jersey City Heights,N.J. He d.2,16,

1897.
4. John W.
5. Peter Van Benschoten. { b. 10,27,1840. Bachelors. Lived on homestead.

4. Elias. b.7,19,1783; bp.8,3,1783, New Hackensack D.R.Ch.; m.12,25,1811, at Newburg,N.Y., to Sarah Dodge (b. 5,4,1790),dau. of Henry & Sarah (Rosecranz) Dodge of New Hackensack,Dutchess Co., and a member of the influential New York City family of that name. Her father was at one time member of N.Y.Leg. The year following his marriage Elias moved to Wantage,N.J., to take charge of the farm of his uncle Rev.Elias Van Benschoten, after whom he was named. The large tract of land eventually became his own, and in connection he carried on a saw and grist mill at the Clove. He prospered greatly and his family became very prominent and affluent. He was a Whig, a strong member of the Clove Pres.Ch. and in later years an enthusiast in the Temperance cause. He d.9,9,1846, at Wantage. His wife d.6,12, 1872.

Children born to Elias Cooper & Sarah Dodge.

1. Matthew H. b.10,25,1812; m.12,31,1835,to Emily Smith (b.12,15,1815). A farmer at Wantage,but late in life lived at N.Y.City. He d.1895;she d.11,5,1898. They had 7 children (listed p.61 of Van Benschoten Genealogy).
2. John Jacob. b.4,9,1814; d.9,2,1883; m.5,20,1845, to Frances Van Duzer (b.9,13,1824; d.10,1888). No children. He a farmer. They lived chiefly at Wantage.
3. William. b.9,16,1815; d.3,3,1842, unm. A grad. of Princeton Coll., and a lawyer at Deckertown,N.J.
4. Sarah Maria. b.4,30,1817; d.9,15,1884; m.9,30, 1835, to Asa Smith (b.9,15,1814; d.4,15,1882). He a farmer at Wantage. Their 6 children are listed p.61 of Van Benschoten Genealogy.
5. James Hiram. b.2,21,1819; d.11,19,1876, unm. A farmer at Wantage.
6. Charles Augustus. b.1,2,1821; m.7,30,1845, to Caroline Howell (b.6,22,1825; d.8,9,1896).He a grad.of Univ.N.Y., physician at Wantage 22 ys, then oil operator at Oil City,Pa.,where he d.3,26,1894. One child:
   Charles Elias. b.3,6,1847; m.10,11,1871, to Britta Carneghan. He an oil and real estate operator at Oil City,Pa.
7. Hannah Eliza. b.1,23,1823; d.8,20,1871; m. at Wantage 6,20,1855, to William Wallace Rose. They lived in Brooklyn. Their 5 children are listed pp.61-62 of Van Benschoten Genealogy.
8. Mahlon. b.6,26,1824; d.6,26,1899; m.Margaret Titsworth. Was a merchant at Sussex,N.J.Their 4 children listed p.62 of Van Benschoten Gen.
9. Walter. b.9,28,1828; d.8,14,1830.
10. Daniel Webster. b.3,7,1831; m.1,22,1857,Susan Howell (b.8,26,1831; d.5,17,1866). She was a

sister of his brother Charles' wife. He a grad. of Princeton Coll. and a physician at Wantage; d.2,21,1906.

5.Matthew. (5th child of Obadiah W.Cooper). b.5,11,1785; bp.6,5, 1785, D.Ref.Ch.New Hackensack,Dutchess Co.,N.Y.; d. (unm.) 6,6,1811; bur.New Hackensack Cem.

6.Teunis. b.6,25,1787,in Wappinger Town,Dutchess Co.,N.Y.; bp.7, 22,1787,D.Ref.Ch.New Hackensack; m. (1) Mary Budd (dau. of Underhill Budd), who was b.4,22,1793, and d.4.10,1825.and is bur.Cem.D.Ref.Ch. at New Hackensack. Tunis was a farmer at Fishkill, and d.10,31,1868. He m. (2) Maria Myers (b.12, 17,1804; d.2,9,1874).

Children born to Tunis Cooper & Mary Budd.

1.Fletcher. b.12,14,1817; d.5,12,1884; m. Angelina Brinckerhoff. Lived at Fishkill village.

2.Gilbert. b.3,23,1820; d., unm., 9,23,1897. Farmer. Lived at Bangall. "One of leading and representative citizens of Stanford Town, Dutchess Co."

3.Maria. b.10,2,1821; m. Dr.John W.Sleight, of LaGrange Town, Dutchess Co., who was killed by a cannon ball at Nicaragua, Central America; she d.4,15,1857.

4. John Underhill. b.7,12,1823; m. (1) 5,17,1847, Rachel R. Sleight (b.8,14,1822; d.3,12,1848); m. (2),6,16,1849, Eliza S.Van Kleek (b.1,9,1825; d.12,24,1891). He settled about 60 m. W. of Chicago, Ill., in 1844,where he lived till 1894, when he returned to his old home & settled on a farm near Wappingers Falls, N.Y.

5. William. b.4,2,1825; m. Margaret Lucky. Lived in N.Y.City, a druggist. Served in Civil War. Died 7,7,1868.
Mary Frances. Only child. Was a minor in 1868.

Children born to Tunis Cooper & Maria Myers.

1.Matthew. b.11,5,1828; d., unm., 9,29,1850.

2.Amanda.b.5,13,1831; m. Benjamin Pugsley, who d. at Millbrook,N.Y.,3,17,1907. He was a farmer. Lived at Dover Plains, Dutchess Co., but last 8 ys. of his life were spent at Monte Vista, Colo.

3.Martin Luther. b.2,23,1833; d.1,25,1873, at St.Paul,Minn. Lived at Brownville, Minn.; engaged in grain elevator business. Never married.

4.Susan. b.3,3,1836; m.Lewis Umlauf, a lawyer. Lived for a time in Chicago, Ill., where she d.5,12,1873. He later lived at Ocean Grove, N.J.

5.Mary. b.6,18,1841; m.William Pugsley. They lived S. of Wappingers Falls. He was a farmer. Children: Agnes, Flora, William, Luther, Marie, Gilbert, Frederick, and Grace.

4 of William Cooper and Sarah Schutt. Mary. b.12,14,1755; m.11,25,1773 to George Brett. ("N.Y.Mar.Lic.") She d.3,21,1838; he d.10,15, 1833, aged 81 y., 8 m. Both bur. Fishkill Landing Cem., Dutchess Co. They both signed the 1794 Albany deed, as heirs of Obadiah Cooper, tailor of Albany. Liber 10,p.165, of Poughkeepsie deeds states that on 9,12,1786, George Brett, yeoman, and wife Mary sold to Evert Wynkoop Swart 50 acres of land in Fishkill Town, 4 mi. from river and west from House of William Cooper, deceased; consideration 700 pounds.

Children born to Mary Cooper and George Brett.

Francis A. b. 1775; d.8,14,1835; bur.Fishkill Landing Cem. ("Van Wyck Gen." states he m. Margaret Campbell.)
Deborah. b.5,1,1780; d., unm., 8,1,1854; bur.Fishkill Landing Cem.
Sarah.b.10,23,1771; d.2,23,1744; m. Willetts. ("Van Wyck Gen.")
Margaret. unm. ("Van Wyck Gen.")

The 1790 census lists George Brett at Fishkill Town,Dutchess Co., with family of:
Males 16 y. and up, 1. [Himself.]
Males under 16 y., 1. [Francis A., b.1775.]
Females, 3. [Wife, Deborah, and Margaret.]
Slaves, 1.

5. Myndert (Minderd). (5th child of William Cooper & Sarah Schutt.) b. at Fishkill about 1752; m. Elizabeth .....; names of children not ascertained, with exception of Elizabeth (b. 1783; d.1807). Myndert Cooper was a Pvt. in Rev. War, in 2nd Regt. Dutchess Co. Militia (Brinckerhoff's), in Capt.Evert W.Swart's Company. (Capt.Swart's wife was Mindert's aunt, Maria Cooper.) For services in Oct. and Nov. 1776 (guard duty at Fishkill Landing and elsewhere) he was paid £ 1,6,8 and £ 1,12,4½, according to receipt cards at Archives Bldg., Washington, D.C.

The 1790 census lists him in New Cornwall Town, Orange Co., with family of:
Males over 16 y., 2. [Himself and a son or helper.]
Males under 16 y., 1.
Females, 4.
Other persons, none.
Slaves, 3.

The 1800 census lists him in Town of Blooming Grove, Orange Co., with family of:
Males 45 plus ys., 1. [Himself.]
Females 10-16 y., 1.
Females 16-26 y., 2. [One of these apparently was the dau. Elizabeth, whose headstone in Vails Gate Cem. states she was dau. of Myndert and Elizabeth Cooper, and that she d.6,22,1807, aged 24 y., 4 m., 8 ds.]
Females 45 plus ys., 1. [Wife.]
Slaves, 3.

Myndert and his wife signed the 1794 Albany deed as heirs of Obadiah Cooper, tailor at Albany 1713-1742. He d. in 1801,in Blooming Grove Town, Orange Co. Lett. Adm. granted to widow 9,10,1801, do not give names of children.

Regarding the children born to Myndert Cooper and his wife Elizabeth: In 1790 he apparently had 3 daughters. In St. Andrews Cem., near Walden (in Town adjoining the one in which Myndert lived) is headstone of Abigail Cooper, wife of Abraham Banker, b.2,22,1779, and d.9,18,1855. In Hopewell Cem., Orange Co., is headstone: Susannah Cooper, wife of Joseph Barkley, b.8,22,1771, d.7,9,1843. But the dates on these headstones do not correspond to the ages of Myndert's daughters listed in 1800 census. It therefore appears that those Coopers do not belong to our family. In 1790 Myndert Cooper had one son over 16 years old and one son under 16. In 1800 he had no son living at home. In the Vails Gate Cem., (where his dau. Elizabeth is buried) are two Cooper head-

stones, reading:

Shadback Cooper,d.9,12,1856,aged 78 y.,11 m.,26 ds.
(This would make date of birth 1778.)
Doct.John W.Cooper,d.7,12,1832,aged 29 y.,2 m.,24 ds.
(This would make date of birth 1803.)

This Shadback Cooper might be a son of Myndert (the one under 16 ys. in 1790 census, but the name does not occur in our Cooper family. The Doct.John W. Cooper could not be a son of Myndert, as the latter died in 1801. He could, however, be a grandson, and the son of the Benjamin mentioned below.

The Benjamin Cooper who is buried in St.Andrews Cem., near Walden, Orange Co., may be a son of Myndert Cooper. His headstone reads: d.July 30,1832, aged 58 ys.,8 ms.,9 ds. Myndert's cousin Jacob Cooper of Fishkill (a son of Cornelius Cooper of latter place) had a son Benjamin, b.6,21,1807, and this writer has been puzzled regarding the occurrence of that name in Jacob's family. Walden is in the next Town west of New Cornwall Town, and it seems to writer that this Benjamin is Myndert's son, and that Doct.John W.Cooper, who d. young, may be his child.

The William F. Cooper who is buried in Washingtonville Cem. in Blooming Grove Town, Orange Co., could be a grandson of Myndert. His headstone reads: March 30,1806-June 2,1883.His wife (Maria Falls), who also is buried there, was b.7,1,1811, and d.4,7,1893. The James R.Cooper whose wife is buried in St.Andrews Cem., Walden, also could be a grandson of Myndert Cooper. Her headstone reads: b.12,17,1810; d.5,19,1867.

6. William. (Of William Cooper and Sarah Schutt.) b. 7,3,1758; bp.D. Ref. Ch. Fishkill 8,27,1758, wit. "Jonathan du Boys and his wife"; m. Elsie (Alice) Thurston, and the following children were born to them and bp. at the Dutch Reformed Ch.,Fishkill.(In the church records the dominies who bp.the children have variously spelled the mother's name: Elley, Elsie, Elsey, Elsys, Elsje, Eltry, and Elshi. Elsje is the Dutch name for Alice. "Elshi" is the spelling used in the 1794 Albany document, which they signed by their attorney, James Cooper.)

1.Joseph Thurston. b.12,6,1786; bp.12,25,1786.
2.Sarah. b.6,8,1788; bp.7,27,1788.
3.Rachel.b.11,7,1789; bp.1,26,1790; d.y.
4.Peter. b.3,30,1792; bp.6,3,1792.
5.Myndert.b.12,6,1793; bp.1,5,1794.
6.Rachel (No.2). b.11,2,1795; bp.1,31,1796.

This William Cooper served in Rev.War, as Pvt.in Vandenburgh's Regt.(4th) of N.Y.Militia, in Capt.David Hecock's Comp.of Militia from Dutchess Co. in 1778, for which he received £1,10,2 2/3 at Fort Clinton Sept.23,1778, according to receipt card at Archives Bldg.,Wash.,D.C. He also is probably the William Cooper who served in Hasbrouck's Regt. N.Y.Militia at New Windsor, Orange Co. (across the river from Fishkill, his home), from 9,27, 1777, to 10,7,1777, for which service he was paid £2,13,4, according to receipt card on file at Archives Bldg. (His uncle Cornelius Cooper also served in Orange Co. Regt. as well as in Dutchess Co. Regt.) He was not the William Cooper who served in Van Woert's Regt. (who was from Cambridge, Washington Co., N.Y., according to his pension application on file at Archives Bldg.,

Washington, D.C. Nor was he the William Cooper who served in Capt. Jacob Defreest's Company of Col. Henry Van Rensselaer's Regt., who (according to his pension application on file at Archives Bldg.) was a son of Christian Cooper and was born in Schoharie Town 7,13,1762. And he is not believed to be the William Cooper who served in Capt. Golden's Comp. of N.Y.Militia from 10,21,1776, to 11,11,1776. That William Cooper is believed to be one of the William Coopers (father and son) listed in 1790 census of Pawling Town, Dutchess Co., the father at that time having two sons over 16, one under 16 and two daughters; and the son (William Cooper 2nd) having 4 sons under 16 and 2 daughters under 16.

The 1790 census lists our William Cooper in Fishkill Town, Dutchess Co., with family of :

Head of family and males over 16 ys., 1. [Himself.]
Males under 16 ys., 1. [Son Joseph (b.1786).]
Females, 4. [Wife, dau.Sarah (b.1788), dau. Rachel No.1 (b.1789), and a dau. whose name we have not found or a helper.]

In 1794 he participated in the sale of property at Albany belonging to his deceased grandfather (Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany 1713-1742), after which he apparently moved to Bethlehem,Albany Co., where his uncle Jacob Cooper and family (including sons Obadiah and Thomas) had lived for many years, because the 1800 census does not list him at Fishkill Town but does list him at Bethlehem, with family of:

Males up to 10 ys., 2. [Peter (b.1792) and Myndert (b.1793).]
Males 10-16 ys., 1. [Joseph Thurston (b.1786).]
Males 26-45 ys., 1. [Himself (b.1758).]
Females under 10 ys., 2. [Rachel No.2 and a younger child whose name we have not found.]
Females 10-16 ys., 1. [Sarah (b.1788).]
Females 26-45 ys., 1. [Wife.]

The 1810 census lists him at Bethlehem, with family of:

Males 10-16 ys., 1. [Myndert (b.12,6,1793, and therefore about 17 ys. old.]
Males 16-26 ys., 1. [Peter (b.3,30,1792).]
Males 26-45 ys., 1. [Joseph Thurston.]
Males 45 plus ys., 1. [Himself.]
Females under 10 ys., 1. [Child whose name we have not found.]
Females 16-26 ys., 1. [Rachel (b.11,2,1795).]
Females 45 plus ys., 1. [Wife.]

The 1820 census does not list,either at Fishkill or Bethlehem,a William Cooper who fits this William.

We have not found date of his death.

OBADIAH COOPER, JR. (5TH CHILD). MERCHANT AND FARMER.

Obadiah Cooper, Jr., the 5th child of Obadiah Cooper, tailor of Albany 1713-1742, was b. 10,7,1720, and bp. 1st Dutch Ref. Ch. of Albany 10,9,1720, wit. Jan and Rebecca Maasen [Van Buren]. He was m. (1) to Maria Fonda, dau. of Pieter and Catlina Fonda, on 3,4,1743 (records same Ch.). She d. 4,15,1748, and was bur. (records same Ch.) 4,17, 1748. Soon after her death he removed to Fishkill, Dutchess Co., where two of his older brothers (John and William) were living. The records of Dutch Ref. Ch. at Fishkill record the marriage (4,22,1749) of "Obediah Koeper, wid. Maria Fonda, Albany, to Hester Bos" (Esther Terbos), but the Cooper family bible gives the date of this marriage as 5,10, 1749. (The family name of Obadiah's second wife has, like most other names of early settlers, been variously spelled. In his will Obadiah calls her Esther. His family bible states that Esther was b. 8,5,1736, and d. 8,22,1789. The Terbos family were prominent pioneer settlers in Dutchess Co., Jacobus Terbos, Esq., being first Judge of Court of Common Pleas of the County, in 1763. He doubtless is the same Jacobus "Ter Bosch" who in 1740 "surveyed a portion of the Great Nine Partners Patent, Dutchess Co.")

This Obadiah Cooper spent the rest of his life at or in the vicinity of Fishkill. His will states that he was a merchant of Rombout Precinct, which included Fishkill and several other Towns. He was one of the witnesses to the will of "Madame Brett," the wealthy and highly respected daughter, and only child, of the Dutchess Co. pioneer Francis Rombout. He is the Obadiah Cooper, Jr., who signed the Loyalty Association in Beekmans Precinct in July, 1775. He is listed as paying taxes in Fishkill 1753-1775, and his estate is listed as paying them in 1777. His family bible (which he purchased in 1746, and in which he recorded the vital statistics of his descendants) states that he d.4, 21,1776. (This bible is referred to more specifically in the introductory part of this volume.) In the will of his sister Maria (Cooper) Swart, dated 2,21,1787, she remembered the "children of my deceased brother Obadiah Cooper." His own will (dated 9,13,1774) was not probated till 4,29,1793. It left whole estate to wife Esther so long as she remained his widow, "for bringing up and educating my children." His will named his wife Esther, his two older sons (Obadiah and Jacobus (James)), and his son-in-law John Dubois as executors. Apparently the executors managed the estate for the benefit of the family without finding it necessary to probate the will until, after the deaths of wife Esther and son-in-law John Dubois, the sons desired to sell "a certain farm or lot of land in Fishkill." The will of 1774 was probated 4,29,1793, and on 4,30,1793, the sons sold the land, according to records of County Clerk's Office at Poughkeepsie (Bk.Deeds 15,p.324). His will lists his children as "my eldest daughter Cornelia Clark," Obadiah (oldest son), Isaac, Jacobus, John, Catharine Dubois, Maria Thorn, and Hannah Cooper. The "eldest daughter Cornelia Clark" was the child of his first wife, Maria Fonda.

According to published statements of Peter Cooper the philanthropist, not only did Peter's father (John Cooper) serve in the Rev.War, but his paternal grandfather also served. Peter's paternal grandfather was this Obadiah Cooper, the merchant and farmer of Rombout Precinct, who was born in 1720, and therefore was 55 years old in 1775. Peter must have obtained this information from his father, who lived to be 83 years old, and who was granted a Rev. pension. Thus it is apparent that this Obadiah Cooper was one of the Obadiah Coopers without a middle initial who are recorded in "New York in the Rev.," by James A. Roberts, Comptroller, pp. 132-150, as an enlisted man in Brinckerhoff's

Regt. (2nd) of Dutchess Co. Militia; but, as he died 4,21,1776, his military service, if it included active field duty, must have been of short duration. This Obadiah's brother Cornelius (b.1735) also served as an enlisted man in that Regt., as did several of their nephews. Obadiah's son John also served in that Regt., first as Pvt. and later as Sergt. and Lt., and Obadiah's brother Abraham (b.1728) served 1777-1778 in 5th Regt. of Line, Col. Lewis Duboys commanding.

Children born to Obadiah Cooper, Jr., and his first wife, Maria Fonda.
(Dates not in church records are from Cooper family bible.)

1. Cornelia. b.1,4,1744; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.1,8,1744,wit.Thomas and Cornelia Cooper (brother and mother of Obadiah Cooper Jr.); m. 1,25,1764, to John Wright Clark, of Fishkill ("N.Y.Mar. Lic."). Mentioned in her father's will as "my eldest daughter." Mentioned in 1794 Alb.Court House deed (which lists Fishkill heirs of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany) as "widow of John R. Clark." Names of children, if any, not ascertained.
2. Pieter. b.1,11,1746; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 1,12,1746, wit. Pieter and Catlina Fonda (parents of Maria Fonda); d.2,23,1748; bur., same Ch., 2,25,1748, as "child of Obadiah Cooper."

Children born to Obadiah Cooper,Jr., and his second wife,Esther Terbos.

1. Obadiah (Obadiah O.). (Twin of Catharine, according to bible of their father.) Merchant of Fishkill, according to his will (dated 8,4,1795). Born 8,27,1750. In his father's will (dated 9,13,1774) he is called "my oldest son." He is the Obadiah Cooper whose first marriage was to Dinah Van Wyck of [name burned in record book] County, 10,20,1772, as recorded in "N.Y.Mar.Lic.issued by Secretary of the Province of N.Y. previous to 1784." According to family bible of his father this marriage occurred 10,24,1772, 4 days after license was issued. Dinah Van Wyck was b.3,15,1755, and d. 7,27,1783.

Children born to Obadiah O. Cooper and Dinah Van Wyck.

1. Elizabeth. b.11,15,1773; d.6,11,1780.
2. Alfhe [Alshe ?]. b.10,10,1775; d.11,2,1775. [This name probably was Aaltje, the name of Dinah's mother,who, according to "The Van Wyck Family", was a dau. of Col. John Brinckerhoff, and who d.7,8,1774.]
3. Theodorus Van Wyck. b.10,24,1776; d.9,10,1777.
4. James Cooper. b.1,4,1779; d.8,18,1783.
5. Obadiah. b.11,5,1780; d.7,17,1783.
6,7. William and Stephen (twins). b.3,25,1783; d.4,3,1783.

This Obadiah Cooper may be the one listed as "Obadiah Cooper Jr." on tax lists of 1774,1775,1777-1779 of Fishkill. But his father was properly Obadiah Cooper Jr., he being the son of Obadiah the tailor of Albany. It may be that the taxes paid belonged to his father's estate, of which this Obadiah Cooper was one of the executors. On 12,22,1793 (records Dutch Ref.Ch.Fishkill) he m.(2)

Elizabeth Brush, widow. His will (dated 8,4,1795) leaves his entire estate to wife Elizabeth so long as she remains a widow,but in case she marries the entire estate to go to his sister Mary Thorne, widow, and sister's son Daniel Thorne; executors"friends Tunis Van Benschoten and Sylvanus Pine, Jr." His will was not submitted for probate till 4,26,1798, apparently a long time after his death, and then the executors named refused to act,probably because his widow had, on 2,25,1798, married Duncan Graham, and his sister Mary Thorne and her children did not care to accept the legacy under existing circumstances. Therefore, on 4,30,1798, Lett.Adm. on his estate were granted to "Elizabeth Graham, late Elizabeth Cooper." (According to "Graves of Rev. soldiers buried in N.Y.", vol.2, under Fishkill Cem., Dutchess Co., Duncan Graham d.2,23,1835,aged 94 y., 3 m.,8 ds., and Elizabeth Bates, his wife, d.3,12,1804, aged 48 ys., 8 m. A child appears to have been born to them, because there is a headstone reading: John, son of Duncan and Elizabeth Graham, died 10,2,1804,aged 5 ys.,4 ms.,7 ds.)

At the 1941 celebration of the founding of the Dutch Ref.Ch. at Fishkill there was on exhibition a hymn book of Obadiah Cooper bearing the date 1792. Apparently it belonged to this Obadiah Cooper.

2. Catharine (twin of Obadiah O.). b.8,27,1750; m. (1) John Dubois, who d. after date of her father's will, of which he was appointed one of the executors. They had:

Eliza. b.11,11,1772; bp.D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill 12,13,1772.

Catharine m. (2) Casperus Romeyn (Romine). They had:
1. Isaac. b.9,23,1779; bp.1,1,1780,D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill.
2. Obadiah Cooper. b.10,13,1783; bp.11,16,1783,D.Ref. Ch.Fishkill.

Records D.Ref.Ch. New York City (N.Y.Gen. & Biog. Rec.,vol. 61,p.376) record Casperus Romine and Catharine Cooper, his wife, as members of that church in Nov.1788. Her father's family bible states she d. in New York City 5,19,1831.

3. Maria (Mary). b.2,7,1752, in Fishkill Town; m.(1) 3,10,1769 ("N.Y. Mar.Lic.") to Benjamin Thorne, carpenter of Fishkill, who d.intestate between 4,21,1794 (date of Albany deed, which he signed) and 8,4,1795 (date of will of her brother Obadiah O. Cooper, in which she is designated as a widow).She was granted Lett.Adm. of Benj.Thorne's estate on 3,20,1796. She m. (2), 8,6,1803 (D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill) her cousin Obadiah Cooper (son of John, the oldest son of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany), who was also known as Obadiah J. Cooper. Surrogate's Office at Poughkeepsie does not contain any will or Lett.Adm. of her estate, but her father's family bible states that she d. 1,8,1822, and it contains birth dates of all of her children (but not birth dates of all of her grandchildren), as listed below:

Children born to Mary Cooper & Benjamin Thorne.

1.Catharine. b.1,15,1770; d.6,2,1814.
2.Obadiah. b.1,2,1773; m. 5, .. , 1794, Trinity Episcopal Ch. Fishkill, to Elizabeth Kilbourne (b. 7,..,1776); he d.1,20,1822. His will (dated Fishkill 1,15,1822) was probated 12,5,1822, executors

"beloved friends Elizabeth Thorne [wife], Daniel Thorne [brother], and Benjamin Thorne" [brother or son]. The will mentions his children as listed below:

Children born to Obadiah Thorne & Elizabeth Kilbourne.

1. Henry. b.10,20,1796. (Trinity Ch.records.)
2. Mary. b.2,3,1799; " " "
   m..... Barnes.
3. Benjamin. b.4,27,1801. " " "
4. Obadiah Cooper.
5. William Bogardus.
6. Catherine Elizabeth.
7. Hiram.

3. Charity. b.1,22,1775; d.5,1,1775.
4. Benjamin. b.11,3,1776.
5. Charity. b.11,6,1778.
6. Daniel. b.12,24,1780. The only records of this son of Mary Cooper and Benj. Thorne that we have found are: (1), will of Obadiah O. Cooper (his uncle), dated 8,4,1795, stipulates that in case of the remarriage of his widow Elizabeth Cooper his entire estate is to go to his (Obadiah O.'s) sister Mary Thorne and her son Daniel Thorne; and (2) Daniel Thorne is named as one of the executors of the will of his brother Obadiah Thorne, dated 1,15,1822.
7. James Cooper. b.10,23,1782.
8. John. b.2,4,1788.
9. Stephen. b.2,13,1790.
10. Mary. b. and d. Sept. .. 1793.

4. Jacobus (Dutch for James). b.11,16,1753, Fishkill Town; m.5,14,1777, at Trinity Episcopal Ch.Fishkill, to Jane Campbell (b.3,30, 1758). She d. before 1800; he d.at Fishkill "on or about Feb. 14,1811," according to Lett.Adm.granted 4,18,1811. Jane Campbell was dau.of John Campbell and sister of Margaret (Peggy) Campbell who in 1779 m.2nd Lt.John Cooper, brother of James, and in 1791 became mother of Peter Cooper the philanthropist. "John Campbell was a Deputy Quartermaster General in the Continental Army, and a trusted agent of Washington." On 2,26, 1776, James Cooper was commissioned 2nd Lt. in 2nd Regt.(Jacobus Swarthout's) of Minute Men, of which Regt. his uncle (Evert Wynkoop Swart) was on same day commissioned a Capt. ("Archives N.Y.", by B.Fernow,vol.1,p.285, and receipt rolls at Archives Building,Washington,D.C.) According to the receipt rolls James Cooper served in that Regt. in 1776 and 1777. (He may, or may not, have been the James Cooper who in 1781 and 1782 served in Weissenfels Regt.of Levies.) The Poughkeepsie Journal of 2,27,1811, calls him Major James Cooper,and states that he d. at Fishkill Feb.13,aged about 60 yrs. He is the James Cooper, attorney of the 1794 Albany Court House document herein quoted, which was a deed of sale of property of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany by his Fishkill heirs.

Children born to James Cooper and Jane Campbell.

1.John. b.11,1,1777; d.6,1,1779.
2.Margaret. b.1,23,1780; bp.D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill 3,26,1780; d.10,10,1782. (Undoubtedly named for her mother's sister Margaret, wife of her father's brother John.)
3.James. b.7,9 (19?), 1782; bp.Trinity Episcopal Ch. Fishkill, but date of bp. is not given, tho date of b. is given; d. before 1811, according to Lett.Adm. on his father's estate.
4.John. b.6,6,1786; bp.Trinity Episcopal Ch.Fishkill,but date of bp.not given, tho date of b. is given. Was living in "Mich.Ter." 4,10,1811, according to Lett. Adm.on his father's estate. Died at Poughkeepsie 3, 6,1863, intestate. Lett.Adm. granted his son John R. 3,11,1863. Children:

John R. b. ; m. Aletta J. ; d..... 1887. Lett.Adm.granted to his widow 4,8,1887, at Poughkeepsie. They had:
William S. b. ; only surviving child of John R.when Lett.Adm.were granted on John R.'s estate.
Margaret Jane. b. ; m..... to .....Adams. She was living 3,6,1863,according to records of Surrogate's Office at Poughkeepsie.
daughter who d.before 3,11,1863,when Lett.Adm.were granted on her father's estate. She was mother of the two children mentioned below,who are mentioned in those Lett.Adm.:
Carolina Noxon Julia Theyson.
Walter Theyson.

5.Jane. b.8,25,1791; bp.Trinity Episcopal Ch.Fishkill, but date of bp. is not given, tho date of b. is given. Was living 4,10,1811, according to records Surrogate's Office at Poughkeepsie.

The 1790 census lists James as "Jacobus" and as living at Fishkill Town, with family of:

Males over 16 ys.,3. [Himself and 2 relatives or helpers.]
Males under 16 ys.,3. [James (b.1782),John (b. 1786), and another whose name we have not found,and who appears to have d.before 1800 census.]
Females,1. [Wife.]

The 1800 census lists him (as James) at Fishkill,with family of:

Males 10-16 ys., 1. [John (b.1786).]
Males 16-26 ys., 1. [James (b.1782).]
Males 45 plus ys., 1. [Himself.]
Females 10-16 ys.,1. [Jane (b.1791).]
Females 16-26 ys., 1. [Relative or helper; wife apparently deceased.]
Slaves, 1.

The 1810 census does not list him. He d. at Fishkill 2,14, 1811.

James is the only one of the children of Obadiah Cooper Jr. and Esther Terbos to whom they applied a Dutch name, and after growing to manhood he was known as James, the name he

used in signing the 1794 Albany deed. In his father's will, however, (of which he was one of the executors), he is called Jacobus.

5. John. Hatter, manufacturer, farmer, Pvt., Sergt., and Lt. in Rev. War. Born at Fishkill 9,5,1755; d. at New York City 10,16, 1838. Lived at Fishkill during Rev., in which cause he enlisted in 1776, and for which service he was in his old age granted a pension of $80 per annum. That John was generous is proved by the fact that during his military service,when his Company was short of provisions, he not only "gave them all the ready money he had but sold his watch for 30 Doll. and expended the amount for their relief."
On 5,4,1777, John was m. (1) to Martha Pinfold, who d.9,18, 1778, leaving him with a child (John) 7 days old. Her headstone in Cem.D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill reads:

"Martha Cooper, wife of J.O. [= John, son of Obadiah], died Sept.18,1778. Aged 20 yrs.,8 mos., 26 days."

Child born to John O. Cooper and Martha Pinfold.

John. b.9,11,1778, at Fishkill; d. ?; was one of the 3 white males under 16 yrs. listed in 1790 census of his father's family. The N.Y.Tribune of 4,5, 1883 states that when his father moved his family to Peekskill about 1795 he "sold his hat store at Duane St. and Broadway to his oldest son by a former marriage." This son John seems to have lived in New York City the rest of his life, because when his father died there in 1838 the New York Post refers to his father as "John Cooper, Sen."

The next year John O. Cooper (with an infant son a year old and no glamorous prospects) wooed, and won, "against the angry opposition of her father," Margaret Campbell, dau. of John Campbell, a wealthy (for those days) Scotchman of New York City, who "at the outbreak of hostilities in 1776 was a prosperous merchant and owner of real estate in New York City, and who at once loaned the Rev. government 1100 guineas, all of his ready money, and entered the service as deputy quartermaster general. He was captured by the British fleet, but subsequently released, and made his temporary home at Fishkill, where he served throughout the war and commanded the troops at West Point until they were disbanded in 1785." John Cooper and Margaret Campbell were m. 12,21,1779. Regarding Margaret Campbell, Allan Nevins says (book entitled "Abram S. Hewitt"): "Family tradition speaks of Mrs. John Cooper's remarkable beauty and great placidity of poise." Her famous son Peter the philanthropist referred to her in his reminiscences as "an excellent woman." This marriage seems to have been a very happy one "notwithstanding the instability of the family fortunes, due to John's quixotic temperament." For a time after the War John Cooper continued to live at Fishkill, but later he removed to Little Dock St. (now Water St.), New York City, where for 5 years he carried on the business of a hatter, and here Peter, his fifth child, was born 2,12,1791. The 1790 census lists John as residing in Dock Ward, New York City, with family of:

Head of family and white males over 16 ys., 5. [As all of John's sons were considerably under 16 years of age in 1790, the 4 white males over 16 yrs. must have been roomers, boarders, or helpers.]
White males under 16 ys., 3. [John (b.9,11,1778), James (b.1,25,1786), and Thomas (b.9,9,1788).]
Females, 4. [Wife; Sarah (b.11,7,1782); Martha (b.4,22, 1784); and a relative or helper.]

From Dock St. John moved his family to Duane St. and Broadway (near the home of his wife's parents), where for a few years he was a merchant (hatter, grocer, etc.).

"Tiring of city life John in 1795 sold his business at Duane St. and Broadway to his oldest son [John, b.1778] and bought some land near Peekskill, where he built a store, and was a storekeeper, hatter, shoemaker, brewer, and farmer, and where he was the principal contributor to the construction of a Methodist Church near the village."

At Peekskill also, according to Peter's reminiscences, "he so freely gave credit to anybody who wanted it that it was not more than two or three years before he found that nearly all of his property was in the hands of other people, and that it was impossible for him to collect it." Later John lived at Catskill, also at Hudson, but finally he returned to New York City, where he died in 1838. (Incidentally, John shared in the 600 pounds which in 1794 the Fishkill heirs of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany received from the sale of property of the latter at Albany.) Notwithstanding his business instability, John had his virtues. He was deeply religious, and little Peter is said to have absorbed all that his elders had to say on that subject, which doubtless molded his character into the outstanding citizen that he became. Margaret (Campbell) Cooper's father died in May,1798, but her mother lived many years longer. When Margaret's son Peter, at 17, returned to New York City in 1808 to earn his own living, he occupied a room in his Grandmother Campbell's home on Duane St. Margaret (Campbell) Cooper d. in New York City 11,29, 1836, aged 75 yrs., 3 ms. (Cooper family bible). John survived her nearly two years. The New York Post of 10,17,1838, contains the following notice of his passing:

"Died, on Tuesday morning, John Cooper, sen., in the 84th year of his age, a soldier of the revolution. Funeral from the home near the corner of 33d St. and 3d Avenue, this afternoon at 3 o'clock."

We have been reliably informed that John and Margaret (Campbell) Cooper were buried "in one of the churchyards which existed in New York City in 1838 in the area bounded by Houston St. on the south, 7th St. on the north, First St. on the east, and Third Ave. on the west, portions of which still [1945] exist and parts of one of which are visible from the back of some tenement buildings in the center of one of the blocks." Also that "there were at that time two burial grounds in churchyards within this area, one in the Baptist churchyard at Houston St. and First Ave. and the other in the Methodist Episcopal churchyard at First St. and Second Ave." From the fact that the church which John built at Peekskill was a Methodist Church, it is assumed that he and his wife were buried in the Methodist cemetery referred to. From the

same reliable source we have the information that their son Peter the philanthropist had planned to erect a suitable monument to their memory, but that a fire in the neighborhood obliterated the exact location of their graves.

Children born to John O. and Margaret (Campbell) Cooper.

1. Sarah.b.11,7,1782.
2. Martha.b.4,22,1784; bp.D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill 4,25,1784,as dau. of John Cooper and Margaret "Cormel." (The latter the dominie's error for Campbell.)
3. James.b.1,25,1786; d.before 1883. Was one of the 3 white males under 16 ys. listed in 1790 census. Children:
   James Campbell.b.6,16,1832, in Harford Co.,Md., near Baltimore.
   Other children, but names not ascertained.Peter Cooper's will left $1,000 to "each child of my brother James."
4. Thomas.b.9,9,1788. d.y.
5. Peter.b. in N.Y.City 2,12,1791; d.there 4,4,1883. Inventor, industrialist, banker, statesman, and philanthropist; one of America's outstanding and most highly respected citizens; the founder and generous endower of Cooper Union, New York City. Well-deserved volumes have been written in praise of him -- one of America's humblest and most exemplary citizens. Briefly, therefore, when he was 17 years old he returned to N.Y.City, from his father's home, and began to earn his own living. When he was 21 years old he went to Hempstead,L.I., to visit a brother. There he obtained employment at $1.50 a day, and remained a long time. He was m.12,18,1813,to Miss Sarah Bedell, who remained his inspiring helpmeet until her death (12,20,1869), and it is recorded that during the 14 years he survived her he could never speak of her without emotion. Both are buried in Greenwood Cem.,Brooklyn,N.Y., where their only surviving children (Edward and Sarah Amelia, the latter Mrs.Abram S.Hewitt) had erected to their memory the imposing tomb now there, the inspiring inscriptions on which were prepared by Richard Watson Gilder (1844-1909), the famous editor of Scribner and Century magazines. Notwithstanding Peter's unprecedented generosity he left an estate of at least $2,000,000. His will, as digested in the New York Times of 4,12,1883, directed that his estate (after payment of certain specific bequests, including $100,000 to Cooper Union and the items listed below) be divided equally between his two living children, Edward Cooper and Mrs. Abram S.Hewitt. The specified bequests were:
   Maria Cooper (widow of brother Edward Cooper) $350 annually.
   Trust fund of $10,000 for Emma Harper, wife of John Harper,Jr. In case of her death without issue the principal to be divided between his two children, Edward Cooper and Mrs. Hewitt. (Relationship of Mrs. Harper not explained.)
   Trust fund of $10,000 for niece Martha Tieman.
   $5,000 to Menzies R. Bedell and wife.
   $1,000 to each child of his brother James.
   $1,000 to Mary Clowes, dau. of his brother Thomas.

$500 to $1,000 to each of the family servants.
$2,000 to Sarah Matilda Brown. (Relationship not explained.)
$1,000 each to Joseph B. Hall, James Hall, Edward Hall, Albert Clowes, and Edwin F. Bedell.
$500 to Isaac Eldred.
$200 to William Mollony.

Children born to Peter Cooper and Sarah Bedell.
(Consult "Abram S.Hewitt," by Allan Nevins.)

1. John Campbell. d.y.
2. Benjamin Bedell. d.y.
3. Sarah Amanda. d.y.
4. Peter William. d.y.
5. Edward. b.10,26,1824, in New York City; attended Columbia University; in 1844 made an extended European tour in company with Abram S. Hewitt, a classmate and teacher at the University; m. 1863 Cornelia Redmond. Became one of New York City's leading citizens.
   Amelia. b. ; m. Lloyd Bryce. They had 2 children.
   Peter. b. ; d.
6. Sarah Amelia. b. ; m. 1855 to Abram S. Hewitt (b. 1822; d.1,18,1903), who became one of America's outstanding and most highly respected citizens. Both are buried on Peter Cooper's lot in Greenwood Cem., Brooklyn,N.Y. Children:
   1. Amelia Bowman (Amy). b.2,28,1856.
   2. Sarah Cooper (Sally). b.fall of 1858.
   3. Peter Cooper. b. spring of 1861; d.
   4. Eleanor Gurnee (Nelly). b.summer of 1864.
   5. Edward Ringwood. b. 1866; living in 1947.
   6. Erskine. b. 1871; d.

6 (of John O. and Margaret Campbell Cooper). Thomas. b.10, 23,1794. Had a dau. Mary, who m..... Clowes, and was left $1,000 in Peter Cooper's will.

7. William, b.10,22,1799; d..... The brother whom Peter enabled to amass a large fortune as Superintendent of Peter's glue factory. Of his fortune William contributed $300,000 to Cooper Union. This glue factory was in northern part of Brooklyn as we now know it, at 131 Maspeth Ave. The following clippings are from a supplement (entitled "Bushwick") of the Brooklyn Eagle of November 10, 1946:

Peter Cooper

We return through Debevoise Ave. to Maspeth Ave., and here, opposite Cooper Park, were the tall pillared Cooper tenements, built by Peter Cooper for his workmen. At 131 Maspeth Ave. once stood the Cooper Glue factory.

Across Morgan Ave. were two houses built by William Cooper at about the time of the Civil War. One he built for himself and the other for his niece.

Peter Cooper Park at Maspeth and Morgan Aves. in the Spring of 1946. This park was given to the city of Brooklyn in 1893 by the Cooper family.
—Eagle Photo.

8. Edward. b.1,25,1803; m. to Maria ....; d. before 1883, as his brother Peter in his will refers to his wife as "a widow."

6 (of Obadiah Cooper, Jr., and Esther Terbos). Hannah (Annatje). b. 1,25,1763; bp.2,18,1763, D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill, wit.Johannes Terbos and Annatje Learson; m.10,18,1776, to Stephen Smith. Records D.Ref.Ch.New York City list (N.Y.Gen.& Biog.Rec., vol.61,p.379) Hannah Cooper, wife of Stephen Smith, as a member of that Ch.in 1788. Tombstone in Cem.D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill reads: "Hannah Cooper, wife of Stephen Smith, d.9,4, 1799, aged 36 yrs., 7 m., 10 ds. (He is not recorded as buried there.) They both signed the 1794 Albany deed.

7 & 8. Isaac and Abraham (twins). b.8,11,1767. According to Cooper family bible Abraham d. 10,4,1767, and Isaac d.9,17,1774. The will of their father (Obadiah Cooper, Jr.) , dated 9, 13,1774, states: "I give and bequeath unto my son Isaac Cooper the sum of one hundred pounds current money of New York, to be raised and levied out of my estate upon his arriving to the age of twenty one years and to him and his heirs and assigns forever." This will also gives Isaac an additional one-eighth share of the estate. The record of the death of Isaac 4 days after the date of his father's will explains the absence of his name in the 1794 Albany deed, also why the Surrogate's Office at Poughkeepsie has no record of payment of the £100, nor of any will or Lett.Adm.of an Isaac Cooper, nor any record of real estate owned by him -- matters that perplexed us until we obtained access to the old Cooper family bible.

SARAH COOPER (6TH CHILD) . (WIFE OF JAMES PARKER VAN BENTHUYSEN.)

Sarah, the sixth child of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany, was bp. at 1st D.Ch. Albany 10,21,1722, wit. Isack and Alida Fonda; m., same ch., 2,6,1741, to James Parker VAN BENTHUYSEN (son of Baltus (Belshazer) Van Benthuysen and Lidia Dealy). His will was dated at Alb. 6,5,1769, and recorded 9,27,1790. Sarah is mentioned in will of her sister Mary (Maria) Swart of Rombout Precinct, Dutchess Co., dated 2,21,1787, and recorded 7,23,1792. Sarah was living 10,29,1794, as she and her sons signed a deed on that date. In 1759 she is listed as owner of seat No. 10 in the First Dutch Ch. Albany. "New York in the Rev.," by J.A.Roberts, 2d ed., 1898,pp.270-271, gives a list of "Sundry persons whose service is evidenced by Manuscripts on file in the Comptroller's Office, but whose names are not found on the Papers of any of the Regular Organizations." In this list are the names James Van Benthuysen and Obadiah Van Benthuysen.(The latter was the second son of the former.)

Children born to Sarah Cooper and James Parker Van Benthuysen.

1.Belshazer (in his father's will and other documents is called Baltus). bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.3,28,1742, wit.John and Lydia Bezely;
m. (1). Sarah Viele,....., who d.y.; they had one child:
Hugo. b.7,1,1766; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 7,6,1766, wit.Hugo and Elizabeth Viele.
m. (2). Elizabeth Rumney,12,31,1768 (license states both are of Albany City).
1.Sara.b.7,31,1769; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.8,6,1769, wit.Frans Winne and Annatje Viele.
2.Maria. b.3,3,1772; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.3,4,1772,wit. Benj. and Maria Rumney. d.y.
3.Cornelia. b.7,1,1774; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.7,3,1774, wit.Obadia and Cornelia Lansing.
4.Anna. b.8,1,1776; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.8,4,1776, wit. Obadiah V. Benthusen and Anna Rumney.
5.Benjamin. b.11,20,1778; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.11,29,1778, wit.Hendrik and Maria Fonda.
6.Hendrik. b.7,20,1781; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb. 7,29,1781,wit.Hendrik V.Benthuisen and Catharyntje Winne; m.,same Ch.,11,26, 1803, to Elizabeth Van Woert.
7.John. b.11,14,1783; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.11,23,1783,wit. John Rumney and Sara Valkenburg.
8.Maria(No.2). b.2,1,1786; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.2,5,1786,wit.John Rumney and Maria Gist.
m. (3). Leah ....., who was his wife 10,29,1794.

Baltus Van Benthuysen served in Rev.War,in 1st Regt.Alb.Co.Mil., under Capt.John Scott and Lt. Wm.Tillman. ("N.Y.in Rev.", by J.A.Roberts,p.222.) He was Collector of Albany in Third Ward in 1785.

2.Obadiah. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.6,17,1744,wit. Thomas and Cornelia Couper; m.....Annatje (Hannah) Rumney. In 1766 appointed Constable of 1st Ward,Alb. According to DAR No.60486 member's paper he d.1816. Assisted in Rev. War. (See note above, under his father, who also assisted.)

(Children listed on next page.)

Children born to Obadiah Van Benthuysen and Hannah Rumney.

1. Annatje. b.2,6,1769; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.2,26,1769,wit.Jacobus (James) V.Benthuisen and Sara Cooper. d.y.
2. Maria. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.7,17,1770,wit. Jonathan Rumney and Maria Van Schaik.
3. Annatje (No.2). bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.10,23,1774, wit. Abraham Cooper.
4. Elizabeth. b.3,10,1777; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 3,12,1777, wit.Baltus and Elizabeth V.Benthussen; m. same Ch. 4,15,1797, to Daniel Steel.
5. Cornelia. b.1,24,1780; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.2,6,1780, wit.Obadiah and Cornelia Lansing.
6. Benjamin. b.3,13,1782; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 3,31,1782, wit.Gosen and Maria V.Schaik.
7. Sara. b.10,16,1784; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.10,31,1784, wit. Hendrik and Sara V.Benthuisen.
8. Obadiah Rumney. b.7,13,1787; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 8,19,1787, no sponsors; d.8,15,1845.

m.(1).Sarah Wood,1st D.Ch.Alb.11,26,1808. (Judging from will (dated 6,16,1838, and probated at Alb.9,25,1845) only 2 children of his first wife were living in 1838,viz: Emily, "wife of Thomas W. Harmon of Albany," and Charles, who was named sole executor of the estate, and who must then have been of age. This son was left "all the residue of my estate, real and personal."

m.(2).Elizabeth .....; date ?

"Children of present wife Elizabeth"(names not mentioned) were each bequeathed $5,000 upon arriving at full age.

son Packard, a minor in 1838, was doubtless a child of the second wife. He was bequeathed the "mansion house and farm" located in Town of Bethlehem,Albany Co., all horses, carriages, cattle, and other movable property there, also all house furnishings, books, etc., and $10,000 to be paid when he became of age.

Sarah Cooper's grandson Obadiah Rumney Van Benthuysen was a very wealthy and apparently a very just man. His will was signed in the library of the home of General Benjamin F. Butler, at 17 Washington Place, New York City. It was witnessed by Gen. Butler and his son W.H.A.Butler, and was left with Gen.Butler, as Obadiah R.Van Benthuysen was about to sail for Europe. The will specifies that the first payments to be made were "the amount due to my present wife Elizabeth under our antenuptial contract, together with all my other just debts." According to attached affidavits, Obadiah R. Van Benthuysen later delivered the will to his son Charles, about 3 weeks before his death, and after his father's death the son Charles personally handed the will to the Hon.John L.V.Pruyn, of Albany, who acted as Charles' attorney in the distribution of the estate.

9. Magdalena. b.9,15,1791; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 11,1,1791, no sponsors.

3. Cornelia. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.4,3,1748, wit.Obadiah Cooper [Jr.] and Annatje Lansing; m.6,3,1772, to Obadiah Lansing, son of Evert Lansing and Annatje Cooper, and therefore her cousin.

For list of children born to Cornelia Van Benthuysen and Obadiah Lansing see list of descendants of Annatje Cooper (1st child of Obadiah Cooper the tailor) and Evert Lansing.

4. John. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.11,18,1750, wit.Richard and Annatje Cartwright; m., same Ch.,12,23,1770, to Geesje Van Hoesen, both of Alb. Mentioned in father's will. He and wife both living 10,29,1794,when they signed a deed.
   1.Jacobus (James). b.6,28,1771; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.7,7,1771, wit. Abraham Cooper and Sarah V.Benthuysen; m.....Elizabeth Herman.
      1.William Belshaser. b.10,1,1791; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb.10,20,1791 no witnesses.
      2. Dutch Settlers Soc.Yr.Bk.1932-34 records following burials of children who apparently belong to these parents:
         Oct.23,1796. James P.Van Benthuysen's child. 1 sh.6 d.
         Sept.1,1798. " " " " " 2 sh.6 d.
         June 22,1809. " " " " dau. 11 sh.
   2.Alida. b.11,8,1773; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 11,10,1773, wit.Johs. V. Hoezen and Engeltie V. Deusen.
   3.Sara. b.9,14,1776; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb.10,6,1776, wit.Harmen and Catharine V. Hoezen; m..... Evert Marselius, and had Guisbert, b.6,9,1792; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb.6,20,1792, no.wit.
   4.Johannes. b.5,29,1782; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.6,16,1792,wit.Obadiah and Cornelia Lansing.
   5.Annatje. b.8,8,1790; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.9,5,1790, wit.Willem and Sara V. Benthuysen.
5. Dorothea. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.5,13,1753, wit. Henry Beesley and Lydia Crispel; m., same Ch.,4,24,1781, to John Waters; m.(2), as "wid. of John Waters," 7,2,1801, to Henry Michael (son of Andreas Michael), widower, at Schod. (Muit.) Ch.
6. Annatje. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 9,5,1756, wit. Obadiah and Cornelia Lansing;died before date of father's will (6,5,1769).
7. William. b.5,24,1760; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb. 6,19,1760, wit.Jacob and Josina Cooper; m.Margarita Conklin. Both living 10,29,1794, when they signed a deed with his mother and brothers.
   1.Evert Swart. b.1,10,1781; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.4,22,1781,wit.Baltus V.Benthuysen and Elizabeth Rumney.
   2.John. b.12,16,1785; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.1,8,1786, wit.John and Geesje V.Benthuysen.
   3.Jacobus. b.8,9,1788; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 8,24,1788, wit.Evert and Sara Mersselis.
8. Hendrik. b.10,12,1762; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.10,31,1762, wit. John and Rebecca Trotter; m., same Ch.,12,14,1785, to Cathalina Hunn. Both signed a deed, with his mother and brothers, on 10,29,1794.
   1. Elizabeth. b.11,3,1786; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 11,5,1786, wit.Thomas Hun and Baatje Van Deusen.
   2. Jacobus. b.9,27,1788; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb.10,6,1788, wit.Baltus and Sara V.Benthuysen.
   3. (Other children ??)
   4?.Thomas. b.3,9,1797; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb. but date bp. not given, wit. Dirck Hun and Hannah Lansing.
9. Jacobus. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 1,8,1764; died before date of father's will (6,5,1769).
10.Thomas. b.8,5,1767; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.9,6,1767,wit. Thomas and Margarita Cooper; m. Nancy Enax (Enochs). Both signed a deed on 10,29, 1794.
   1. Sara. b.10,14,1788; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb. 10,15,1788,wit.Thomas and (undecipherable) Cooper.
   2. Mary. b.10,16,1789; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.10,31,1789, wit.not given.

Interesting items from the will of James Parker Van Benthuysen (a turner of city of Albany).

Will dated Albany, N.Y., June 5,1769. Probated at Albany Sept. 27, 1790.

First I give and bequeath unto my eldest son Baltus Van Benthuysen the sum of ten shillings current money of the Province of New York for his right of Primogeniture. Then I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Van Benthuysen the mean Properties and Income of all my Estate both Real and Personal during the time that she remains my Widow for the Support and Maintenance of herself and Children that are not able to maintain themselves.

To son Baltus, under certain conditions, a certain described lot in the First Ward of the city of Albany.

To "my six sons, to wit, Baltus, Obadiah, John, William, Hendrick, and Thomas, after the death or remarriage of my said beloved wife Sarah," all real estate, buildings, and improvements, "to be equally divided among them, share and share alike," upon condition that they between them shall pay unto each of my two daughters Cornelia and Dorothea the sum of Fifty Pounds Current money of New York within twelve months after they get possession of said Estate.

To my six sons all my wearing apparel, weapons of war and tools, to be equally divided among them.

To daughters Cornelia and Dorothea, "after my beloved wife Sarah's Decease, all their mother's wearing apparel and all Household Furniture, to be equally divided between them."

All the rest of estate to be equally divided among my eight children.

"I do hereby nominate, constitute, and appoint my beloved wife Sarah Van Benthuysen Executrix and my sons Baltus and Obadiah Van Benthuysen to be Executors."

ELIZABETH COOPER (7TH CHILD). (WIFE OF ABRAHAM JACOBSE LANSING OF ALBANY.)

Elizabeth, the 7th child of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany, was born in Albany in 1724, being bp. at 1st D.Ref.Ch. there 8,23,1724, wit. Joh. and Elizabeth Van Oostrander; m., same Ch., 5,20,1744, to Abraham Jacobse Lansing, the 3rd son of Jacob Gerrit Lansing (b.6,6,1681) and Helena (bp.11,21,1683) a dau. of Jacob Sanders and Catherine Glen, who were married about 1710. Abraham was a cousin of Evert Lansing, who about 1735 married Annatje Cooper (oldest sister of Elizabeth Cooper) and settled in Schodack, where they spent their lives. Abraham Jacobse Lansing died(intestate)before his wife died, because her will (dated 9, 26,1780) states that she is a widow. Her brother Cornelius Cooper, of Fishkill, and her brother-in-law Capt. Evert Wynkoop Swart, of Rombout Precinct, were witnesses to her will, which was probated 4,15,1783. No will or Lett. Adm.and no real estate records of Abraham Jacobse Lansing are on file at Albany. We have been unable to find either date of death of Abraham Jacobse Lansing or burial place of himself and his wife, but it has recently been suggested, by a genealogist conversant with the extensive genealogy of the Lansing families, that they probably were buried in the original Cemetery of the First Dutch Reformed Church at Albany, which now is a City park.

Children born to Elizabeth Cooper and Abraham Jacobse Lansing.

1. Obedia, bp. 1st. D.Ref.Ch.Alb. 10,19,1744, wit. Obedia Cooper [Elizabeth's brother; her father d. in 1742]and Cornelia Cooper [widowed mother of Elizabeth]. Died young, as Elizabeth's will refers to her son Gerrit A. as her "oldest son." This doubtless is the "child of Abraham Jacobse Lansing"who was buried from Alb.Ch. 8,13, 1747, or the one buried 7,4,1748.
2. Jacob. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.1,10,1746, wit. Jacob and Lena Lansing. Died young, as mother's will refers to her son Gerrit A. as her "oldest son." Doubtless is "child of Abraham Lansing" who was buried from 1st D.Ch.Alb. 8,13,1747, or the one buried 7,4,1748.
3. Gerrit (Gerrit A.). bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 10,25,1747, wit. Gerrit J.Lansing and Jannetje Waters. Died btw. 9,6,1780 (date of mother's will) and 5,22,1830 (date his own will was probated).
   m.(1). Cathalina Van Aalstein 2,27,1768, 1st D.Ch.Alb., both of Alb. City. No record of children. She died young.
   m. (2).Agnietje Bratt, 10,1,1771, 1st D.Ch.Alb., "both of Alb. City," dau. of Bernard Bratt and Margaretta Williams. Margarita. b.4,20,1772; m. John S. Pruyn.
   m.(3). Elizabeth Wynkoop, 12,26,1776, 1st D.Ch.Alb.; she a dau.of James Wynkoop and Alida Myers, and d.9,6,1808, aged 51 ys. Buried Alb.D.Ch.9,8,1808.

   Children of Gerrit A.Lansing and Elizabeth Wynkoop.

   1.Abraham. b.12,6,1777; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.12,14,1777,wit. Abraham and Elizabeth Lansing [grandparents of the child]; d.y.
   2.Abraham No.2. b.1,3,1782; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.1,13,1782, wit.John Lansing and Sara Fonda; d.y.
   3.James Wynkoop. b.4,10,1783; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb.4,20, 1783, wit. James and Alida Wynkoop. d.y.
   4.James Wynkoop No.2. b.7,19,1784; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb.8, 9,1784, wit. Jacobus and Alida Wynkoop. Apparently d. before date of father's will (5,22,1830).

5. Gerrit. b.7,20,1785; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.7,24,1785, wit. Cornelis Wynkoop and Sara Fonda. Mentioned in father's will.
6. Alida. b.1,19,1787; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.1,29,1787, wit. Jacob and Elizabeth Wynkoop. Mentioned in father's will. (Is she the Alida Lansing who m.3,12,1807 (Boght Reg.) Isaac A. Lansing?)
7. Elizabeth. b.12,30,1788; bp. Alb.Ch.1,11,1789, wit. Jacob and Elsje Van Deusen. Mentioned in father's will. Is said to have m. Martin Ruff of Canajoharie.
8. James. b.4,2,1791; bp.Alb.Ch.4,17,1791, wit. Jacobus and Alida Wynkoop. Apparently d. before date of father's will (5,22,1830).
9. Abraham. b.2,10,1793; bp.Alb.Ch. 3,3,1793, wit. Abraham A. Lansing and Helena Dennison. Mentioned in father's will.
10. Cornelius Wynkoop. bp.Alb.Ch. 9,19,1794; d.4,12,1862; buried in Montgomery Co. Mentioned in father's will.
11. John.b.3,10,1797. Mentioned in his father's will, which also mentions "my gddau.Sarah, the dau. of my son John."
12. Robert. b.5,6,1800; m.9,12,1819, to Elizabeth Herty, of Springfield, N.Y. Mentioned in his father's will.
13. Sarah. b.9,..,1802. Apparently died before date of her father's will.

Gerrit A. Lansing is listed as a member of 1st D.Ref.Ch.Alb. in 1805. The 1790 census lists him in 3rd Ward, Albany,with following family:

Head of family, 1.
Males under 16, 2.
Females, 5.
Slaves,"number illegible."

Later he moved to Canajoharie, Montgomery Co. His will (dated 5,22,1830) was probated 7,18,1831. He is mentioned in his mother's will as "well beloved son Garret," to whom she left 10 sh. to cover "right" of primogeniture. He probably was prosperous, as she left her estate to her unmarried daughters Helena and Annatje.

4. John (John A.). bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb.11,12,1749, wit. Thomas and Sarah Cooper (brother and sister of his mother); m. Elizabeth Fryer 2,10,1776, "both of Alb." He was a baker at Alb. Served in 1st Regt. Albany Co. Militia, under Capt.John Scott and Lt.Wm.Tillman ("N.Y.in Rev.," by J.A.Roberts, 2d ed.,p.222.) Not mentioned in mother's will. Probably was prosperous. His own will (dated 10,4,1807, and probated 2,23,1828) mentions wife Elizabeth, children Abraham, Jacob, and Elizabeth, (who are to receive equal shares after death of their mother).

Children born to John A.Lansing and Elizabeth Fryer.

1. Abraham. b.8,6,1776; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.8,11,1776,wit.Gerrit and Elizabeth Lansing. Mentioned in father's will.
2. Annatje. b.5,13,1778; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.5,20,1778, wit.Isaac and Annatje Fryer; d.y.
3. Annatje. b.11,23,1779; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb.12,5,1779, wit.not given; d.y.
4. Willem. b.2,23,1782; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.3,9,1782, wit.John and Catharina Fryer. Not mentioned in father's will. Must be "John A. Lansing's son" buried Alb.Ch.6,7,1802, "pall and hearse 11 sh."

5. Jacob. b.3,21,1784; bp.3,28,1784,1st D.Ch.Alb., wit. Jacob and Elsje V. Deusen. Mentioned in father's will.
6. Annatje. b.6,1,1786; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.6,10,1786, wit. John and Catharina Fryer. Not mentioned in father's will. Probably is "John A.Lansing's dau.buried Alb.Ch.7,6,1797, 11 sh." or his dau."buried 2,2,1808, 11 sh."
7. Elizabeth and Maria (twins). b.9,5,1788; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 9,13,1788, wit.Leentje Lansing and "Polly (or Sally) Graham." Maria not mentioned in father's will. Probably is "John A.Lansing's dau. buried 7,6,1797, pall and hearse 11 sh." or his dau. "buried 2,2,1808, 11 sh." Elizabeth is said to have m. Samuel T. Burrows 5,31, 1808, Alb.Ch., and to have d.5,12,1860, and been buried in State St. burying ground at Alb.
8. Gerrit. b.2,15,1791; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb., wit.Gerrit Lansing and Elizabeth Wynkoop, according to "loose leaves in 1st D.Ch. records." Not mentioned in father's will. Apparently d.y.

5. Elsje. bp.9,22,1751,1st D.Ch.Alb., wit. Jacob Lansing Jr. and Maritje Lansing; m.3,9,1771, Jacob Van Deusen. Children:
1. Marritje. b.11,19,1772; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb. 1,20,1773, wit. Anthony Bratt and Rachel Van Deuzen. Died young.
2. Marritje. b.7,18,1775; bp.7,20,1775, 1st D.Ch.Alb.,wit. Anthony Bratt and Rachel V. Deuzen. (Think this is the Maria Van Deusen who m. James Lansing and had following children bp. Fonda D.R.Ch. The records of that Ch. state Maria Van Duersen, wife of James Lansing, joined Fonda Ch.7,15,1797, together with Annatje Lansing, widow of Dirk Hunn, and Philip Lansing.)
John Van Schaick. bp.7,17,1798. no wit.
Cornelia. bp.4,14,1801, no wit.
Sarah. bp.10,9,1803, no wit.
James. bp. 12,1?, 1805, no wit. (The query means illegible.)
Elizabeth. bp.3,17,1808, no wit.
Rachel. b.10,2,1810; bp., no wit.
Elsje Maria. b.12,23,1812; bp., no wit.

3 and 4. Rachel and Elizabeth. b.7,18,1778; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 7,22,1778, wit. Stuart Duane, Rachel V.Deuzen, and Gerrit and Elizabeth Lansing. Rachel must have d.y.; Elizabeth m. Isaac Bratt 12,31,1795, 1st D.Ch.Alb.
5. Abraham. b.12,22,1780; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 12,24,1780, wit. Abraham Lansing and Engeltje V.Deusen.
6. Jacob Lansing. b.7,17,1785; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb. 7,24,1785, wit.John Liswell and Annatje Lansing; m. Gertruy Van Alstine 1,17,1808, Fonda Ch.
7. Rachel. b.5,6,1788; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 6,8,1788, wit.Catharina Wendell.

6. Cornelia. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.5,27,1753, wit. Evert and Annatje Lansing; m. Abraham Staats. 1st D.Ch.Alb.2.6.1774. Children:
1. Yzaac,b.1,7,1775; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.1,15,1775, wit.Yzaac and Eva Staats; m. 7,6,1793, Maria Van Alen.
Cornelia. b.7,10,1794; bp. Kind.Ch. 8,10,1794, wit. Abraham J. Staats and Cornelia Lansing.
2. Abraham. bp.Kind.Ch.12,29,1776, wit.Gerrit Lansing and Lisabeth Cooper. (Kind.Ch. records list several children to Abraham Staats and Angelica Witbeck.)
3. Jakob (Jacob A.) bp.Kind.Ch.11,15,1778, wit.Jakob Van Valkenberg and Cathalyntje Legget, his wife; m.....Jannetje Vosburgh. Children:
Joachim. b.10,21,1804, Kind.Ch.,date of bp.not given and no wit.

Children of Jacob A. Staats - Continued:
Cornelia Lansing. b.1,16,1810; bp. Kind.Ch.3,4,1810,no wit.

4. Gerrit. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.1,21,1781, wit. Gerrit and Annatje Lansing.

7. Lena. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.7,27,1755, wit. Abram and Catrina Lansing; buried, same Ch., 8,30,1756.

8. Abraham (Abraham A.). bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 2,13,1757, wit.Abram and Catrina Coeper (brother of Elizabeth (Cooper) Lansing and his first wife). Is believed to be the Abraham Lansing who served in 1st Regt.Alb.Co.Militia, under Col. Abraham Cuyler and Col.Jacob Lansing Jr. ("N.Y.in Rev.", by James A.Roberts, p.97.)

9. Isaac. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.3,18,1759, wit. Isaac and Catarina Lansing.

10. Lena or Helena. b.9,4,1760; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 9,9,1760, as "Leena or Helena," sps.Johannis J.Lansing and Catrina Schuyler. Mother's will (dated 9,26,1780) calls her Helenah, and gives her one-half of personal estate. She m.James Dennison.

Children born to James Dennison and Lena Lansing.

1.Rachel. b.6,10,1783; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.7,6,1783, wit.Hugh and Isabella Dennison. Apparently d.y.

2.Rachel. b.12,31,1785; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb. 2,26,1786, wit. not given; m. Thomas Omens 3,21,1802, 1st D.Ch.Alb.

Dutch Sett. Soc. Alb. Yr. Bk.8,9, p.104: "James Dennison, pall and hearse 11 sh., July 6,1802."

11. Annatje. b.5,16,1762; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb.5,16,1762, wit.Christoffer Jah (J.) Yates (Yaetz) and Catharina Lansing; m. John Liswell. (John Liswell and Annatje Lansing were sps. at bp. of Jacob Lansing, son of Elsje Lansing (Annatje's sister) and Jacob Van Deuzen, 7,24,1785.)

Children born to Annatje Lansing and John Liswell.

1.John. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.7,30,1786, no wit.; m. Melo Johnson.

Abraham. b.5,6,1817; bp.Fonda Ch. (date not given), wit.Abraham Liswell and Rachel Van Duersen.

2.Abraham. bp.1,13,1788, 1st D.Ch.Alb., wit. Gerrit Lansing.

3.Elizabeth. b.8,14,1790; bp. E.G.Ch. 9,12,1790, wit. Christopher Yates and Annattie Liswell.

(Records of 1st D.Ch.Alb.list burial of child (name not given) of John Liswell 10,23,1797, 1 sh.6 p., and "John Liswell, pall and hearse, 11 sh., July 5,1804." The latter amount (11 sh.) indicates a mature person.

JACOB COOPER (8TH CHILD). FARMER.

Jacob Cooper, the 8th child of Obadiah Cooper and Cornelia Gardenier, was baptized at the First Reformed Dutch Church at Albany 4, 17,1726, wit. Jacob Maassen [Van Buren] and Sara Gardenier. He was 16 years old when his father died. He married (date not found, but probably late in 1747 or early in 1748) "Joseyna Orchard" [Josina Archer] who died before date of her husband's will (4,19,1798). Jacob was appointed Fire Master of First Ward, Albany, 11,8,1755. On 1,9,1767, the Albany City Council paid him £4,3,9 (record does not say for what). Early in life he settled at Bethlehem, Albany Co., where he became owner of considerable property, and where he died in 1813. During the Revolution he was so actively anti-Tory that he was threatened by them, not only his property but his life and the lives of his family. He appealed to the authorities at Albany for protection, and was furnished a guard, which for 7 months included his oldest son (Obadiah), who was serving at Albany, in the Army, and who was sent to Bethlehem to assist in protecting his father's family and property. (See pension papers of his son Obadiah in Archives Building, Washington, D.C.) The Jacob Cooper who ("N.Y. in Rev.," 2d ed.,p.224) served as a Pvt. in 3d Regt. of Albany Co. Militia (Capt.John Vanderhuyden and Capt. Abraham Veeder) apparently was this Jacob Cooper, then about 50 years old. (See Lineage Book of Daughters of American Revolution, vol.120,p.62.) Jacob's will (dated 4,19,1798, recorded at Albany 6,2,1813) mentions daughters Sarah, Cornelia, and Maria and grandson Isaac Ostrander, and makes his two sons (Obadiah and Thomas) and his son-in-law Anthony Hallenbeck the executors. This will left all his real estate to his two sons, except 3 1/2 acres, which he bequeathed to his grandson Isaac Ostrander. After the death of their father the two sons decided to join the westward exodus of young men from Albany Co. They therefore sold the farms left to them by their father, and in 1814 located at Conquest (Cato), Cayuga Co.

The 1790 census lists Jacob and both of his sons as residing in Watervleit Town (which then included Bethlehem), Jacob's family being listed as follows:

Head of family and males over 16 ys., 4. [Himself and probably some of his grandsons or helpers, as his two sons are listed separately, and we have been unable to find any children born to Jacob Cooper and Josina Archer btw. 1759 (birth of Obadiah) and 1768 (birth of son Thomas).]

Males under 16 ys., none.

Females, 5. [Wife, some of his children or grandchildren, and probably a helper or two.]

The 1800 census lists Jacob and both of his sons at Bethlehem, he being listed as living with his son Thomas, his wife having died before 1798, not being mentioned in his will dated 4,19,1798.

The 1810 census does not list this Jacob Cooper separately, but he is believed to be the man over 45 years who was living with his son Thomas (then only 42 years old), and the item "26 to 45 years" appears to be omitted from that census record. However, there is the possibility that he may have been the "Jacob Cooper, widower" who was m.10,29, 1801 (New Salem D.Ref.Ch.) to "Barbara Denogh, widow." His will was dated 4,19,1798 (after the death of his first wife, Josina Archer). If he did marry Barbara Denogh she must have died before he died (1813), because the 1798 will was probated at Albany 6,2,1813, without any complications.

Children born to Jacob Cooper and Josina Archer.

1. Cornelia. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.12,4,1748, wit. Thomas and Cornelia Cooper [brother and mother of Jacob Cooper]; m.12,12,1766 (same Ch.) to Anthony HALLENBAKE, turner of Alb.; d.2,23,1840, aged 91 y.,2 m.,11 d. His will (dated 5,3,1800) was probated at Alb.1,4,1808. Cornelia was mentioned in will of her father, dated 4,19,1798, and probated at Alb.6,2,1813.
   1. Hendrik. b.9,14,1767; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 9,16,1767, wit.Gerrit & Susanna Halenbeck; d. 11,2,1789.
   2. Josina. b.8,19,1769; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.8,20,1769,wit.Jacob and Josina Cooper. d.y.
   3. Jacob. b.2,22,1771; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 2,24,1771,wit. Jacob and Josina Cooper; d. before date of father's will (5,3,1800). (Pearson's Gen. says died 1,7,1789.)
   4. Susanna. b.2,26,1773; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.3,20,1773,wit. David and Susanna Halenbeek. (Pearson's Gen. says she m. Wm.Fonda,and d.3,18,1850.)
   5. Josyna (Josenah in father's will). b.12,8,1774; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 12,19,1774,wit. Thomas & Margar.Coeper [brother of Jacob Cooper and his 2nd wife]. (Pearson's Gen.says she m.Gerrit Roseboom. She was living at date of her father's will (5,3,1800).
   6. Gerrit. b.11,24,1776; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.12,1,1776, wit.Gerrit Halenbeck & Jennit Hellen. (Pearson's Gen.says he d.Nov. 1849.)
   7. Obadiah. b. 1,8,1779; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.1,13,1779,wit.Obadiah and Saartje (Sarah) Cooper [cousin (son of Thomas Cooper) and sister of Jacob Cooper].(Pearson's Gen.says he d.3,29,1850.)
   8. Anthony. b.11,21,1780; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.12,3,1780,wit.Edward Willet and Ytje Brett; m.Josephine Degraff, and had:
      Jeremiah.b.2,1,1811; bp.Fonda Ch., no wit.
      Mentioned in father's will (dated 5,3,1800).
   9. Thomas. b.5,9,1783; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.5,25,1783,wit. Jacob and "Rosina" [Josina] Cooper. (Pearson's Gen.says d.11,6,1784.)
   10. Dorothea. b.2,16,1786; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.2,26,1786,wit.John and Dorothea Waters. (Pearson's Gen.says m.Wm.Austen,and d.9,7, 1854.) Is mentioned in father's will.
   11. Daniel. b.8,23,1788; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 8,31,1788,wit.Hendrik and Susanna Halenbeck.Living at date father's will.(Pearson's Gen.says he m.Elizabeth Helling,& lived New Hartford,1867.)

   ("Ann.of Alb.," by J.Munsell, vol.2, lists the names of the men and women the children of Cornelia Cooper and Anthony Hallenbake married.)

2. Maria.bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 8,26,1750, wit. John and Rachel DePeyster; m. (same Ch.) 11,23,1768, to John WILVER (now spelled WHEELER; has also been spelled Wieler,etc. in old records), "both of Albany Co." Maria was living at date of her father's will (dated 4,19,1798).
   1. John. bp.Kind.Ch.9,24,1769, wit.Isaac Van Valkenburgh and Hanna V.Valkenburgh, his wife. (Ch.record has name of the father spelled Wieler.)
   2. Josyna. bp.1,20,1771,Kind.Ch., wit. Gysbert Scherp and Bata V. Valkenburgh. (Father's name spelled Wieler in Ch.record.)

3. Elizabeth. bp.9,23,1772,Schen.D.R.Ch., wit.Samuel Weler [Wheeler] and Jannetje Coeper.
4. Lena. bp.2,27,1777, Schen.D.R.Ch., wit. Gerrit and Sopia Bratt.
5. Maria. b.9,30,1778; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.10,30,1778, wit. Thomas Orchard and Bregje Zeger. (The record spells names of parents John Wheeler and Marytje Cooper.)

3. Obadiah. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 11,12,1752,wit. Evert and Anna Lansing [the latter a sister of Jacob Cooper]. Buried, same Ch., 12,27,1752.
4. Annatje. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 12,9,1753, wit. Evert and Anna Lansing; m., same Ch., 8,7,1773, to Theunis Van Slyck; d.before date of father's will (4,19,1798). No record of children has been found.
The 1790 census lists Theunis Van Slyk at Coxsackie Town,with family of: Himself, 1 female, and 1 slave, from which it would appear that they had no children then living.

5. Sarah. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 8,29,1756, wit. Obadiah and Hester [Esther] Coeper [of Fishkill, Obadiah being a brother of Jacob Cooper, and Esther Terbos being Obadiah's wife]. Sarah must have first married an Ostrander, because her father's will leaves 3 1/2 acres of land to "my grandson Isaac Ostrander," but name of this Ostrander is not at present known. The records of the New Salem Dutch Reformed Ch. list the following children as born to Sarah Cooper and Elias Day -- the latter understood to be a physician and a widower when Sarah married him:

Jacob, of Elias Dee & Sarah Coeper, bp.2,1,1793,no wit.
Josina, of Elias Dey & Sarah Coeper,b.8,3,1794; bp. by Rev.Harm.Van Haysen 8,16,1794, no wit.
Thomas, of Elias Day and Sarah Cooper, b.7,15,1797; bp. 7,31,1797, no wit.
Sarah, of Elias Day and Sarah Cooper, b.1,22,1799; bp. 2,3,1799, wit. Thomas and Lea Cooper [Thomas was brother of Sarah Cooper and Lea was wife of Thomas].

Page 168 of New Salem Ch. records contains the following, under date of 5,3,1805:

"Elias Day and Sarah Cooper his wife had their marriage contract renewed and confirmed before me, acknowledging all the children they had together -- Legitimate. Dominie Von Huysen."

Other official records contain the following references to Sarah Cooper:

The will of her father (dated 4,19,1798) left her his mahogany table (evidently a prized possession) and other personal property, which leads to the belief that she may have been his favorite daughter.

Her brother Thomas named his youngest son (b.4,7,1808) Elias Day.

The Schenectady County Clerk's Office (Bk.B,p.221) records "an agreement" dated 11,3,1813, and recorded 1,25,1814, btw. "Sarah Day, widow and relict of Elias Day, late of Town

Bethlehem, Albany Co.," and "Elizabeth, wife of Calvin Cheeseman and the legal heir of the aforesaid Elias Day, deceased"[Elizabeth is understood to be a daughter of Elias Day by his first wife] , under which Sarah, the widow, in lieu of her dower rights, was to retain possession of all personal property she had already received from Elias Day; also to have for life, rent free, the use of the farm on which she then resided, and to receive from Calvin Cheeseman and Elizabeth, his wife, the annual sum of $20 during her natural life, the remainder of the estate of Elias Day to become the sole property of Calvin Cheeseman and his wife Elizabeth, and to be "released from all claims or demands of said Sarah, her heirs, executors, administrators, or any other person."

The 1790 census lists Elias Day in "Schenectady Town, South of the Mohawk," with family of:

Males 16 ys. and up, 1. [Himself.]
Females, 2.
Slaves, illegible.

The 1800 census lists Elias Day in Bethlehem Town, as follows:

Males up to 10 ys., 3. [As at this time he had only 2 sons by his 2d wife, Sarah Cooper, one of these boys must have been a son of his first wife.]
Males 45 plus ys., 1. [Himself.]
Females up to 10 ys., 2. [Josina (b.8,3,1794) and Sarah (b.1,22,1799).]
Females 10-16 ys., 2. [Either children of his first wife or helpers.]
Females 26-45 ys., 1. [Sarah (Cooper) Day (b.8,29,1756).]

The 1810 census lists Elias Day in Bethlehem Town as follows:

Males 10-16 ys., 3.	Females under 10 ys., 2.
" 16-26 ys., 3.	" 16-26 ys., 2.
" 45 plus ys., 1.	" 26-45 ys., 2.
	" 45 plus ys., 2.

The 1820 census lists in Bethlehem Town:

Israel Day:
Males 10-16 ys., 1.
" 26-45 ys., 1.
Females 26-45 ys., 1.
" 45 plus ys., 2.

Sarah Day:
Males 16-26 ys., 1. [Her son Thomas was b.7,15, 1797; her son Jacob was b.2,1,1793.]
Females 16-26 ys., 1. [Her dau. Josina was b. 8,3,1794, and her dau. Sarah 1,22,1799.]
Females 45 plus ys., 1. [Herself.]

Elias B. Day:

Males under 10 ys., 1.	Females 26-45 ys., 1.
" 16-26 ys., 1.	Slaves, 1.
" 45 plus ys., 2.	

The relationships, if any, of Israel Day and Elias B. Day to Dr. Elias Day is not known to us.

The records have not been searched for information regarding the children of Dr. Day and Sarah Cooper.

6. Obadiah No.2 (of Jacob Cooper). (In bp. records of some of his children he is called Obadiah F. Cooper. The derivation of the F is unknown.) bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.3,13,1759,wit.Jacobus Parker Van Benthuysen and Sara Van Benthuysen [the latter a sister of Jacob Cooper, father of Obadiah]; m.,same Ch., 6,8,1781, to "Lena Albrecht, banns." This same book (HSYB) 1924-5,p.3) states that Obadia Cooper and Lena "Helbrig" were m.6,28,1781. Latter name is apparently an error, and first date is the banns and latter date the marriage. In the early church records the dominies have spelled this family name Albrecht,Alberaght,Albraght, and Albraugh. The correct spelling is said to be Albright, the spelling that has been in use many years. The family came from Holland to America in 1740. This Obadiah Cooper lived with his parents,in Bethlehem,Albany Co., N.Y., in early life and while serving in the Revolutionary War, for which service he was in May 1833 granted a pension of $86.66 per annum. He served first as Pvt. and later as Sergt. (See his pension papers on file at Archives Building, Washington, D.C.)

The 1790 census lists this Obadiah Cooper as residing in Watervleit Town, Albany Co., with family of:
Head of family & males over 16 ys., 1. [Himself.]
Males under 16 ys., 1. [His son Obadiah.]
Females, 4. [Wife, & daus.Catharine,Elizabeth,& Cornelia.]

The 1800 census lists this Obadiah at Bethlehem,with family:
Males up to 10 ys., 3. [Sons Jacob, Henry, & Thomas.]
Males 26-45 ys.,1.[Himself,bp.3,13,1759.]
Females up to 10 ys., 1. [Eeva.]
Females 10-16 ys.,2. [Elizabeth & Cornelia.]
Females 16-26 ys., 1. [Catharina.]
Females 26-45 ys.,1. [Wife.]
(In this census his widower father, Jacob Cooper, is listed as living with his son Thomas.)

The 1810 census lists this Obadiah at Bethlehem,with family:
Males up to 10 ys., 2. [Grandchildren? .]
Males 10-16 ys., 2. [Thomas and Henry.]
Males 26-45 ys., 1.[Son Jacob.]
Males 45,etc., 1. [Himself,b.1759.]
Females up to 10 ys., 3. [Dau.Annatje & ? 2 grandchildren ?]
Females 10-16 ys., 1. [Grandchild or a dau.whose name we have not found.]
Females 16-26 ys., 1. [Eeva, 19 ys.]
Females 45, etc. ys., 1. [Wife.]

This Obadiah Cooper's father (Jacob) died in 1813, and Obadiah and his younger brother Thomas (to each of whom their father left a large farm at Bethlehem) sold their farms and migrated to Cayuga Co., N.Y., where they bought (Cayuga Co. records) considerable land in 1814 and later years. (Pension papers of Obadiah state that he moved to Cato, Cayuga Co.,in May,1814.)

The 1820 census of Cayuga Co. lists this Obadiah at Cato,with family of: 1 man 45 plus ys., 1 woman 45 plus ys., and lists his sons separately. From fact that this Obadiah in 1819 sold 99 acres of land at Cato to David Wallis, of same place, without the signature of Obadiah's wife, it is assumed that his wife was not living. On May 8,

1820, he also sold 41 acres to his son Henry, and no wife is mentioned in the deed. Obadiah the father (& Revolutionary pensioner) remained at Conquest till 1848, when, at the age of 89 years, he went to live with his son Henry, who then lived at Cleveland, Ohio. (See pension papers.) He died there in 1849.

Children born to Obadiah Cooper and Lena "Albrecht" (Albright).

1?. Catharina ("Caty"), b. ;bp. ; "dau. of Obadiah Cooper of Salem" was m. to John Smith 2,15,1806, New Salem Ch. Records. (Born before 1790 census.)
Tyne. b.5,31,1806; bp.6,15,1806,New Salem Ch.,no wit.
Obadiah. b.12,22,1808; bp.3,12,1809, New Sal.Ch.,no wit.

2?. Elizabeth.b. ; bp. ; "dau.of Obadiah Cooper of Salem was m.to Obadiah Wheeler, son of John Wheeler",7,11, 1807,New Salem Ch. (Born before 1790 census.) (Cousins.)
Hannah. b.8,7,1807; bp.11,29,1807, New Salem Ch.,no wit.

3?. Cornelia. (No.1.) b.5,22,1786; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 6,18,1786,wit. Anthony and Cornelia Hallenbeck. Died young.

4?. Cornelia. (No.2.) b.11,16,1787; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.1,7,1788,wit. Anthony & Cornelia Hallenbeck; m. William Stalker.
John. b.1,18,1811; bp.New Salem Ch.2,10,1811,no wit.
William. b.6,5,1813; bp.7,4,1813, New Salem Ch.,no wit.
Henry. b.6,5,1815; bp.8,13,1815, " " " " "
Magdalina. b.4,11, 1817; bp.5,4,1817, New Sal.Ch.,no wit.
Margaret. b.3,7,1819; bp.3,28,1819, N.Sal.Ch.,no wit. Died young.
Caty Ann. b.1,30,1821; bp.5,15,1821, N.Sal.Ch.,no wit.
John Alexander. b.4,25,1823; bp.6,29,1823,N.Sal.Ch.,no wit.
Margaret (No.2). b.2,25,1825; bp.5,8,1825,N.Sal.Ch.,no wit.
James. b.7,7,1826; bp.7,30,1826,N.Sal.Ch.,no wit.

5?. Obadiah Second. b.about 1789?; m. Peggy Riemer. This son of Obadiah Cooper and Lena Albright appears not to be listed in his father's family in 1800 or 1810 census. He may have been living with another relative.His father moved to Cayuga Co. in 1814. The 1820 census of Cato, Cayuga Co., lists Obadiah Cooper Second,26-45 yrs.old, with wife (26-45 yrs.old), 3 boys under 10 ys., and 1 girl under 10 ys. The 1830 census of Conquest (Cato) lists him with following family:

Males under 5 ys., 2.	:	Females under 5 ys., 1.
Males 5-10 ys., 1.	:	" 5-10 ys., 1.
Males 10-15 ys., 1.	:	" 10-15 ys., 1.
Males 15-20 ys., 1.	:	" 40-50 ys.,1.
Males 30-40 ys.,1.	:	

On 1,20,1832, "Obadiah Cooper Second" bought 45 ac.of Lot 92 Cato (Cayuga Co.Bk.00,p.232). On 3,27,1833,"Obadiah Cooper Second" bought 34 ac. of Lot 77 Cato (Bk. 63,p.243),which he and his wife "Margaret" on 12,20, 1838, sold (Bk.64,p.243).
The 1840 census lists him at Conquest,with family of:

Males 5-10 ys., 2.	:	Females 10-15 ys., 1.
Males 10-15 ys., 1.	;	" 20-30 ys., 1.
Males 20-30 ys., 2.	:	" 40-50 ys., 1.
Males 40-50 ys., 1.	:	

He d. at Cato 8,22,1844. Will (dated 2,8,1843) appointed his three older sons (Adam,Elias,and Thomas, of Conquest) executors; mentions wife Margaret,dau. Eliza ("wife of Michael Blass"), and following minor chil-

dren (for whom John Hamilton, of Conquest, was appointed guardian): Catherine (wife of Charles A. Converse), Henry, Obadiah, and William.

1?. Adam. b.3,28,1814; bp.5,22,1814, New Salem Ch., no wit.
2?. Elias. b? (May be the Elias B. listed at Sterling 1840.)
3?. Thomas. b.?. (See 1840 census of Conquest, Cayuga Co.)
4?. Eliza. b.?; m. Michael Blass, & had William who lived Elkhart, Ind., 1916.
5?. Catharine. b?; m. Chas. A. Converse before Feb. 1843.
Charles. b?. Lived South Haven, Mich., 1916.
6. Henry. b.5,3,1827, Conquest, N.Y.; m.(1) 10,20,1847, Phoebe Jane Wendover. Moved to Mich. 1860. Had long service in Civil War; was with Mich. Vol. at Gettsburg. After War took up homestead in Nebr. Children:
1. Orrin Alonzo. Prominent in business & political affairs of Nebr.; a 32d Mason, a Presbyterian, and a world traveler. b.11,18,1849; m.(1) 7,4,1875, Calista Ellen Merrifield, Table Rock, Nebr. Children:
I. Adele Grace. b.5,1,1876; m.10,30,1897, Arthur Mac Murray (Prof. Univ. Iowa, & Univ. Kans.). Only child: Arthur Cooper. b.4,15,1899; m.6,..,1921 Marjorie Kidwell; lives San Bernardino, Calif.
2. Cary Keys McClellan. Now V.P. Pioneer Title & Trust Co. of San Bernardino. b.9,25,1878; m.6,28,1899 Mae Fellers. Children (adopted):
Orrin Keys. b.2,6,1918. Served WWII in Africa; severely injured landing in Italy; entered as Pvt., discharged 1945 as Corp. Now Asst. to his father.
Maryella. b.5,18,1921; m.1943 R.S. DeLangie. They have one dau. (Susan).
3. Guy Lester. Prominent in business Humboldt, Nebr. b.7,3,1880; m.5,24,1905, Josephine Lovina Brum.
1. Guy Lester Jr. V.P. of O.A. Cooper Co., Humboldt, Nebr. b. Feb. 1907; m.3,..,1928, Evalyn Mae Kerr. Children: Guy Lester III (b. 4,28,1930) & Prudence Ann (b.9,31,1933).
2. Charles Albert. b.10,21,1908. Entered the U.S. diplomatic service 1931. At Embassy at Tokio became prisoner of Japs, whose treatment so impaired his health that he is now retired.
3. John Robert. b.1,1,1911; m.1,1930, Virginia Lee (descend. Robt. E. Lee). Is now Secy. Tr. O.A. Cooper Co. of Nebr. Children:
Virginia Lee. b.9,30,1930.
John Robert Jr. b. 1933.
4. Calista. b.4,27,1914, Humboldt, Nebr.; m. Morris Hughes, in 1937 Consul Gen'l, Havana, Cuba. Children: Mary, Judith, and Morris Jr.
4. Eva Merle. b.2,28,1883; m.12,19,1908 Lt. (now Admiral) Emory Day Stanley (s.c.). They have lived in many parts of world; now at Cranford, N.J. Children:
1. Katherine. b.12,7,1909; m.8,1,1931, Lt. Frank Virden, U.S.N., of Cynthia, Miss.
2. Dorothy. b.12,8,1910; m.10,27,1934, to Kenneth Frank Van Sant, of Omaha, Nebr.
3. Emory Day Jr. b.8,29,1913. Grad. Naval Acad.; now in Supply Corps.
5. Olive Ena. b.11,27,1885; m.12,25,1906, Geo. Addi-

dison Seabury, of Kansas City, Mo. Have lived San Bernardino, Cal., since 1926. Children: Adelaide Ellen (b.9,25,1907; m. Ralph E. Swing), and Georgeva (b.2,23,1919).

Orrin A. Cooper's wife d. 10,19,1905, and in 1906 he m.(2) Minnie Sparklin Akers (a cousin of his 1st wife).

2. (of Henry Cooper & Phoebe Jane Wendover). Clara. b. ?; m. 1868 George Lane, Table Rock, Nebr. Children: Lillie (m.Wm.Wood), Charlie (m.Hattie Goodell), and Hattie.
3. William. b. ?; m. Fanny Bentley. Children: Floyd, Florence (m. Lynch), Hattie (m. Travers), Henry, O.A., Hazel (m. Edwards), and Icel Dell.
4. H.Vernie. b? ; m.Laura ... Children: Ruth & Arthur.
5. Sarah. b. ? ; d. March 1930.
6. Lafayette. b.8,18,1866. For many years a commission merchant at Kansas City & St.Joseph, Mo. Now lives San Bernardino, Calif. Is 32d Mason & Shriner. m.12,24,1892, at Sterling, Nebr., to Laura Bumstetler. Children:
   - Lyla Elise. b.2,22,1894; m.Ernest Maxwell 6,18, 1913. Children: Eda Clare (b.1,21,1917) and Jean (b.7,21,1921).
   - Ede. b.11,2,1895; d.2,1,1911.
   - Sarah Clare. b.9,8,1900; m.8,3,1923, to Frank Gilman, now a Col. in U.S.M.C. Their son Cooper Lee Gilman was b.10,3,1928, at Tientsin, China.
7. (of Ob.Cooper 2nd & Peggy Riemer). Obadiah. b....; m.Cynthia ...; d. at Conquest, N.Y., 2,15,1916. His widow in applying for Lett.Adm. submitted list of relatives left by her husband, which consisted of names and addresses of 15 nieces and 13 nephews. So apparently they had no children.
8. William. b.....; m?.....; d?.....

6? (of Obadiah Cooper & Lena Albright). Eeva. b....; bp.5,1,1791, New Salem Ch., wit.Johannes Merkle & wife; m.2,28,1815, to David Volk, son of Matthew Volk.

7. Jacob. b.12,25,1793; bp.Jerusalem Ch., Alb.Co., 3,2,1794, no wit; m.8,7,1814, New Salem Ch.: "Jacob, son of Obadiah Cooper, of Bethlehem, to Polly O'Brien, dau. James O'Brien." That same year (1814) his father and his father's brother Thomas removed to Cato, Cayuga Co., N.Y. This Jacob Cooper appears to be the Jacob C.Cooper listed in 1820 census of Cayuga Co. as residing at Cato, with family of: 1 man 26-45 ys.; 1 boy under 10 ys.; 1 female under 10 ys., & 1 female 16-26 ys. He d. intestate prior to 12,23,1834, date Lett. Gdnship were issued to William Aumock "for the 4 minor children of Jacob Cooper and his wife Polly Cosgrove [remarried], late the widow of Jacob Cooper." Following are names and ages of these children as listed in Lett.Gdnship:

   Lany Cooper, 19 yrs. Feb.16, last. [b.1815.]
   [There must have been a married dau. who is the female under 10 yrs. listed in 1820 census, or that dau. died.]
   David Cooper, 15 yrs. May 11 last. [b.1819.]
   Mary Ann Cooper, 13 yrs. June 5 last. [b. 1821.]
   James Cooper, 11 yrs. May 31 last. [b.1823.]
   Deborah Cooper, 9 yrs. Feb.28 last. [b. 1825.]
   Calvin Cooper, 7 yrs. Aug.18 last. [b. 1827.]

8. Henry. b.6,8,1796; bp.8,28,1796, New Salem Ch., no wit. His father moved to Cato, Cayuga Co., N.Y., in 1814. The 1820 census of Cayuga Co. lists Henry as married but without children. On May 8,1820, his father sold him 41 acres of land at Cato for $250. His wife's name was Polly, according to sales of land he made in Cayuga Co. The 1830 census of Cayuga Co. lists him at Victory,with family of:

1 male under 10 yrs.: 1 female 5-10 yrs.
2 males 10-16 yrs. : 1 female 20-30 yrs.
1 male 30-40 yrs. :

He moved to Cleveland, Ohio, before 1840 census, and in 1848 his aged father (Obadiah,89 yrs.old) went there to live with him, and died there in 1849.

9. Thomas. b.6,5,1799; bp.10,29,1799, New Salem Ch.,Alb.Co., no wit.
(?? Is this the "Thomas Cooper and wife Eve" who had James Henry b.2,11,1820; bp.2,11,1821, Stone Arabia Ch., no wit. ?? Or did this Thomas die young?)

10. Annatje. b.7,20,1803; bp. 10,9,1803, New Salem Ch., no wit.

7. Thomas. b.3,3,1768; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 3,6,1768, wit. Abraham Cooper and Elizabeth Lansing [brother and sister of the child's father, Jacob Cooper]; m., same church, 9,6,1786, to Lea Cooper, dau. of Abraham Cooper, and therefore his cousin. The 1790 census lists this Thomas Cooper as living in Watervleit Town (which then included Bethlehem), with family of:

Head of family & white males over 16 yrs., 1. [Himself.]
White males under 16 yrs., 2. [Sons Jacob & Abraham.]
Females, 2. [Wife and dau.Catharina.]

The 1800 census lists Thomas, his older brother (Obadiah), and his widower father (Jacob Cooper) at Bethlehem, Thomas's family consisting of:

Males up to 10 yrs., 3. [Sons Obadiah,Thomas,and John.]
Males 10-16 yrs.,3. [Sons Jacob & Abraham and a relative or helper.]
Males 26-45 yrs., 1. [Himself.]
Males 45 plus yrs., 1.[His widower father, Jacob.]
Females up to 10 yrs., 2. [Maria & Annatje.]
Females 10-16 yrs., 2. [Catharina and Josina.]
Females 26-45 yrs., 1. [Wife.]

The 1810 census lists Thomas at Bern, Albany Co., with:

Males up to 10 ys., 1. [Elias Day Cooper.]
Males 10 to 16 ys., 1. [Son John.]
Males 16 to 26 ys., 2. [Sons Abraham and Thomas Jr.]
Males 45 plus ys., 1. [As Thomas was only 42 ys. old in 1810, the man 45 plus ys. old appears to be his widower father, and the item "males 26 to 45 ys." appears to be omitted in this census table.]
Females up to 10 ys., 2. [Cornelia (b.12,20,1802) and Sarah (b.1,27,1811).]
Females 10 to 16 ys., 2. [Maria and Annatje.]
Females 16 to 26 ys., 2. [Catharina and Josina.]
Females 45 plus ys., 1. [Wife.]

Jacob Cooper, father of Thomas, died in 1813. He left each of his two sons (Obadiah and Thomas) a large farm at Bethlehem, Albany Co. In 1814 his sons sold their farms there and moved to Cato, Cayuga Co.,N.Y., where Thomas is listed in the 1820 census, with family of:1 man 45 plus ys.[Himself]

1 boy 16-26 ys. [Elias Day]; 1 girl under 10 [Sarah]; 1 girl 10-16 ys.[Helper ?] . His wife (Lea) appears to have died btw 1811 and 1820.

Children born to Thomas and Lea(Cooper) Cooper.

1. Catharina. b.3,15,1787; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.4,15,1787,wit. Nicholas Sixby [Sigsbee] and Cornelia Cooper [wife of Nicholas and sister of Lea].
2. Jacob. b.3,1,1788; bp.Helderberg D.Ref.Ch.Guilderland Center 3,18,1788, wit.Jacob Cooper and "Gezyna" [Josina] Cooper [parents of Thomas Cooper] ; m. .... Mary Weedman or Wedeman.

   John. b.10,29,1808; bp.1,22,1809, New Salem Ch., no wit.
   Abraham. b.5,19,1811; bp.7,14,1811, New Salem Ch., no wit.
   boy listed as under 10 yrs. old in 1820 census; name not found.
   Caty. b.1,15,1814; bp.3,20,1814, New Salem Ch.,no wit.

   The 1820 census of Cato,Cayuga Co., lists this Jacob Cooper with family of: 1 man 26-45 ys; 1 woman 26-45 ys; 2 boys under 10 ys.[Abraham and another whose name has not been found]; 1 boy 10-16 ys.[John]; 1 girl under 10[Caty].

3. Abraham. b.5,10,1789; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.5,29,1789, wit. Abraham Cooper and Lena Van Buren. [Abraham Cooper was father of Lea Cooper and Lena Van Buren was his 2nd wife.] m. ?
   In 1814 the father of this Abraham Cooper moved to Cato, Cayuga Co.,N.Y., where this Abraham is listed in 1820 census as living at Cato, with family of:
   1 man 26-45 ys. [Himself.]
   1 woman 16-26 ys. [Wife, whose name was Sally, according to real-estate documents they signed at Conquest (Cato) in 1831 & 1833.]
   1 girl under 10 ys. [Name not found.]
   No later record of this Abraham has been found.
4. Euzzina [Josina]. b. 1,1,1791; bp.1,30,1791, by Rev.John Young, Presby.Ch.New Scotland.
5. Obadiah. bp.10,5,1792, New Salem D.Ref.Ch., wit. Obadiah Coeper and wife. [Obadiah Cooper was brother of Thomas Cooper.] This child appears to have died before 1810 census was taken.
6. Thomas Jr. b.9,14,1794; bp.10,19,1794 New Salem Ch.,no wit. (His father, Thomas Sr., moved to Cato,Cayuga Co. in 1814. The 1820 census of Cato lists Thomas Cooper Jr. as follows: 1 man 16-26 ys.; 1 woman 16-26 ys.; 1 boy under 10 ys.The 1830 & 1840 censuses list Thomas Jr. & his father at Conquest.
7. Maria. b.11,14,1796; bp. 12,25,1796, New Salem Ch., wit. Jacob Wheeler and Maria Settern.
8. Annatje. b.12,30,1798; bp.2,3,1799, New Salem Ch., no wit.
9. John. b.12,1,1800; bp.1,25,1801, New Salem Ch., no wit.
10. Cornelia. b. 12,20,1802; bp.3,27,1803, New Salem Ch., no wit.
11. Elias Day. b.4,7,1808; bp.4,30,1808, New Salem Ch., no wit.
12. Sarah. b.1,27,1811; bp.2,23,1811, New Salem Ch., no wit.

ABRAHAM COOPER (9TH CHILD). FARMER.

Abraham, the 9th child of Obadiah Cooper, tailor of Albany, was born at Albany, N.Y., where he was baptized (at 1st Dutch Ref.Ch.) on 2,21,1728, wit. Claes and Antie Fonda. He was 14 years old when his father died, and was married (records same Church) 3,22,1751, after 3 banns and a license, to Catharina Ostrander, of Rensselaerwyck Colony, a daughter of Johannis and Elizabeth (Vandenberg) Ostrander, and baptized (same Church) 12,10,1727. (Catharina Ostrander was a descendant of the original Peter Ostrander who settled at Hurley, Ulster Co., in 1660, and also of Hendrick Gerritse Lansing, who, with his mother and two brothers, settled at Albany in 1655.) The married life of Abraham and Catharina (Ostrander) Cooper was spent at Albany, N.Y., excepting the three years they lived in Rombout Precinct, Dutchess County, where they paid taxes 1757-1759, and where their daughter Annatje (Dutch for Anna and Hannah) was born and baptized. Probably his removal to Fishkill was motivated by the fact that four of his brothers and a married sister were already living there. All of Abraham's children except Annatje were baptized at the First Reformed Dutch Church at Albany. (See Holland Society Year Books 1907 and 1908.) Abraham was appointed Constable of the First Ward at Albany 9,29,1755, and Fire Master of same ward 11,6,1756. Citizens thus appointed were obliged to serve, well and faithfully, or pay a heavy fine.

To Abraham Cooper and Catharina Ostrander nine children were born, 7 girls and 2 boys, but their first son (born in 1753) lived only one week, so that when Catharina died at Albany 9,21,1766, she left 7 daughters, ranging in age from 14 years to 1 or 2 days, and one son (Obadiah A.) 4 years old. As the records of the Albany Church do not record her burial it is believed she may have been buried across the river, in Rensselaerwyck, where her relatives lived. After her death Abraham moved his family over to Rensselaerwyck, where he remained till 1801.

On 2,28,1777, at 49 years of age, Abraham Cooper enlisted, for the war, as a Pvt. in Capt. Amos Hutchings' Company (Second), 5th Regt. of the Line, commanded by Col.Lewis Duboys, according to "Roster of State Troops," p.223, which also states that he was discharged 4,19,1778. "N.Y.in the Rev.," by James A. Roberts, Comptroller, 1897, vol.1,p.41, also includes Abraham Cooper among the enlisted men of "The Line, 5th Regt., Col.Lewis Duboys, Lt.Col.James S.Bruyn, Lt.Col.Marius Willett." On p.59 of latter book "Abraham Cooper, enlisted man of the Line, 5th Regt." is included in Land Bounty Rights.

(Parenthetically, it is here remarked that the two (or three?) other Abraham Coopers (one from Orange Co. and one from Southampton) who are listed as serving in the Revolutionary War do not belong to the family of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany, and are, so far as now known, not related to that family.)

Abraham Cooper had been a widower for 13 years, when, on June 5, 1779, he married "Lena" Van Buren (b.1,26,1725), a daughter of Pieter Van Buren and his wife Gertruy Vosburgh, and a sister-in-law of his brother Thomas, of Albany, who in 1742 had married Lena's sister Elizabeth, who d. in 1748. Both "Abraham Cooper, widower," and "Lena Van Buren, spinster" were residents of Schodack (in the SW. part of Rensselaer Co.), according to the marriage register of the Kinderhook Dutch Reformed Church, where their marriage took place. At the time of his second marriage Abraham was 51 years old and "Lena" Van Buren (who was baptized Magdalena) was 54 years old. (See parenthetical statement regarding "Lena" Van Buren on next page.)

(PARENTHETICAL STATEMENT REGARDING "LENA" VAN BUREN'S PARENTAGE.)

The "Van Buren Genealogy" and the "Schermerhorn Genealogy" are both in error in stating that the daughter Magdalena of Pieter Van Buren and his wife Gertruy Vosburgh married William Schermerhorn on 10,6,1761, at Claverack Dutch Reformed Church, which is in the SW. part of Columbia Co. The Miss Van Buren who married William Schermerhorn(bp., according to the "Schermerhorn Gen.", 8,27,1740, at Germantown, in the SW. part of Columbia Co., a few miles SW. of Claverack) was a daughter of Doctor Pieter Van Buren, of Claverack, and his wife Helena, according to the will of that gentleman (dated 2,17,1764, and probated in Columbia Co. 8,21,1787). This will mentions wife Helena, sons Peter, Joris, John, stepson Cornelius Benham, daughters Polly and Christina, wife of Michael Elliott, and "Helena, wife of William Schermerhorn." In the early days Helena and Magdalena were both shortened to Lena. The error in recording Dr. Pieter Van Buren's daughter Helena as Magdalena is,in all probability, attributable to the dominie who performed that ceremony, and who was more familiar with, or had a predilection for, the form Magdalena, instead of Helena.

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Abraham Cooper was one of the founders of the Dutch Reformed Church at East Greenbush, Rensselaer Co., on 9,14,1787, at which time he was elected a Deacon. On 5,10,1789, he was elected an Elder, and was re-elected to that office in May, 1791. The records of this Church also state that Lena Van Buren united with it 7,23,1790, and opposite that record is the pencilled word "Dead," but the date of her death is not given. Abraham Cooper seems to have been popular with his relatives, judging from the number of times he acted as sponsor at the recorded baptisms of their children.

The 1790 census lists Abraham Cooper as residing in Rensselaerwyck with a family consisting of:

Head of family and males over 16 ys., 2. [Abraham himself and his son (Obadiah A.), who was married Sept.1789.]

White males under 16 ys., 3. [Abraham (son of Obadiah A.), b.5,12, 1790, and two other grandsons.]

Females, 3. [Lena Van Buren (his 2d wife), Elizabeth Ostrander (wife of Obadiah A.), and probably Abraham's daughter Maria, of whose marriage we have failed to find record.]

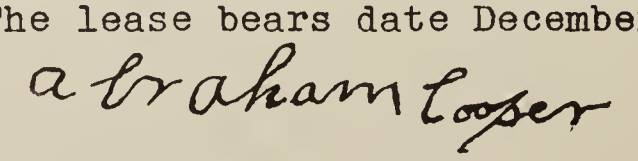
Slaves, 1.

The 1800 census lists Abraham Cooper and his son (Obadiah A.) as residing in the Town of Bush, Rensselaer Co., but as living separately. Abraham's household is listed as consisting of:

1 man 45 plus ys. [Himself.]

1 woman 45 plus ys. [At present we are uncertain whether this woman was Lena Van Buren, his 2d wife, or his unmarried (?) dau. Maria, who was b.9,12,1756, and therefore was nearly or quite 45 years old, depending upon the date of the census taker's visit. It seems more probable she was his daughter, and that Lena Van Buren had died at some time between 1790 and 1800. We have not found any evidence that his daughter Maria married.]

Below is a copy of the signature of Abraham Cooper traced from a lease to him, by Stephen Van Rensselaer, Esquire, of 147 acres of land in Rensselaerwyck. The lease bears date December 30, 1790, when Abraham was 62 years old.



It is apparent to us that this 1790 lease of land was made to enable his only son (Obadiah A.), who was married in 1789, to establish a home of his own, as he and his father are listed separately in the 1800 census.

On May 13,1801, Abraham Cooper and his son bought, jointly, from Stephen Van Rensselaer, a farm of 168 acres at Guilderland, Albany Co. (See Alb.Co.Bk.Deeds 24, p.115.) On June 6,1801, Abraham, his son, and his son's wife (Elizabeth Ostrander) were "received as members in full communion" of the Helderberg Reformed Dutch Church at Guilderland Center, Albany Co., and at that Church Obadiah A. later served as Deacon and his three younger children were baptized, all according to the record book of the Church.

Why Abraham Cooper and his son moved from Rensselaer Co. to Guilderland has been a puzzle to us. But after poring over the records of Rensselaer Co. it is the writer's opinion that so many Coopers totally unrelated to Abraham's family had moved into that County that it probably became bewildering for him and his family to maintain their identity there. Also, there is the fact that his oldest sister (Annatje,the wife of Evert Lansing), who spent her married life at Schodack and was the only one of the Cooper family, besides Abraham, to live at that place, died before 1793.

The 1810 census lists Abraham and his son's family as residing together at Guilderland, under the name of Abraham Cooper as the "head of family," the household consisting of:

Free white males "45, etc.", 2. [Abraham and his son.]
Males 16 to 26 ys., 1. [Abraham, son of Obadiah A., b.5,12,1790. (Tunis, the 2d child of Obadiah A.,b.5,31,1792, went to N.Y. City in 1810, and spent 1811-1813 studying medicine and surgery at Columbia Med. College.)]
Males 10 to 16 ys., 2. [John (son of Obadiah A.),b.8,15,1794, and Peter,b.7,27,1796.]
Males up to 10 ys., 2. [Cornelius (son of Obadiah A.),b.4,3,1805, and James,b.12,23,1808.]
Females 26 to 45 ys., 1. [Wife of Obadiah A.]
Females 10 to 16 ys., 1. [Catharine (dau. of Obadiah A.,b. 1798).]
Females up to 10 ys., 1. [Elizabeth (dau. of Obadiah A.,b.10,12, 1800.]

The family remained at Guilderland till 1812, when the several "grown up" and rapidly "growing up" sons of Obadiah A. apparently persuaded their father to sell the Guilderland farm and join the exodus of young men from the Hudson River country to Cayuga Co. (See Alb.Co. Bk.Deeds 24,p.115.)

Children born to Abraham Cooper and Catharina (Ostrander) Cooper.

1. Elizabeth.bp.1st D.Ref.Ch.Alb. 5,29,1752, wit. Johannes and Elizabeth Ostrander (parents of Catharina Ostrander); m..... (date not found) to John Sullivan, of Albany (son of Charles and Dorothea (Luther) Sullivan); d. (according to Pearson's "Gen. of First Settlers of Schenectady Co.") before bp. of her dau. Elizabeth, who was b.10,9,1788, and bp.2,14,1789. According to Walter L.Brown's "Ancestors of Florence Julia Brown and some of their descendants," 1940, John Sullivan d.6,16,1819. Children:
   Catharine. b.....1771; m.10,8,1794, to John Strail.
   Dorothea. bp.1st D.Ref.Ch.Alb. 5,8,1773, wit.Charles and Agnes Sullivan; m. John Van Auker.
   Maria. b.4,11,1775; bp. 1st D.Ref.Ch.Alb. 5,14,1775, wit. Jacob Scotter and Annatje Cooper (a sister of Elizabeth); m.9,15,1790, to Abraham Dorn.
   Martin (?). (According to Walter L. Brown's book cited above.) "b.2,28,1777." (Writer is not certain this child belongs to family of Elizabeth Cooper and John Sullivan.)
   Abraham. b.6,25,1779; bp. 1st D.Ref.Ch.Alb.7,10,1779, wit.

Abraham Cooper and Lena Van Buren (Elizabeth's father and his 2d wife, whom he m. 6,5,1779).

Agnes. b.10,26,1786, Schen.D.R.Ch., but date bp. not given.

Elizabeth. b.10,9,1788; bp.Schen.D.R.Ch. 2,14,1789, wit. John Doran and Mary Sullivan. (Is she the dau. who m. a Mr. Wiggins, and had dau. Matilda, who was 1st wife of Cornelius Cooper, a nephew of Elizabeth Cooper Sullivan?)

2. Obadiah. bp.1st D.Ref.Ch.Alb. 9,22,1753, wit. Thomas and Margarita Cooper (Abraham Cooper's brother and his 2d wife, Margarita Van Antwerpen); bur. from same Ch.9,29,1753.

3. Cornelia. b.8,30,1754; bp.1st D.Ref.Ch.Alb.9,8,1754, wit. Evert and Annatje Lansing (the latter a sister of Abraham Cooper); m., same Ch.,3,7,1773, to Nicholas "Siksby" [Sigsbee],"both of Colony Rensselaerwyck." (Nicholas Sigsbee was b.7,11,1744,and bp.Alb.Ch.7,18,1744. He was a son of Evert Sixberry (b.abt. 1715 & d.1770) and Elsje (Alice) Egmond.) Nicholas d.8,4,1820, and Cornelia d.9,7,1820. Both probably bur. Jerusalem Cem., Alb.Co. (In the old Ch. records the name of Nicholas and his family has been variously spelled by the dominies (with the assistance of the Dutch settlers with whom various members of the family intermarried) as Siksby, Sichby, Saksby, Sexby, Sigsbie, and Sigsbee. For more than a century the spelling has been Sigsbee, although the original founder of the family in America came from London, England, and spelled his name Sixberry.) Nicholas Sigsbee served in the Rev. War. Children:

1.Elsje.b.2,7,1774; bp.1st D.Ref.Ch.Alb.3,20,1774, wit.Evert & Elsje Siksby; m.11,30,1807, John McDougal; d. 2,14,1851. Children:

Hannah Eliza.b.8,28,1808; bp.New Scot.Pres.Ch.1,21,1809, no wit.

John Nicholas.b.1,9,1811; bp.New Scot.Pres.Ch.11,10,1811, no wit.

2.Evert.b.2,5,1776; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.2,25,1776, wit.Jacobus Valkenburg and Catharine Siksby; d.5,7,1857. He m. 11,20,1819,Rebecca Conde, who is bur.Stalker burying ground,New Scotland Town. Two headstones there read: Rebecca, wife of Evert Sigsbie, d.Mar.22,1838, aet.38; and Lucy, dau.of above, d.June 5,1845, aet. 21. The following are descendants of Evert Sigsbee and Rebecca Conde according to researches of Miss Cornelia Carhart Ward, 511 W.232d St., N.Y.City (a descendant of William Sigsbee, the youngest brother of Evert Sigsbee), who has collected a large amount of information regarding all other descendants of Cornelia Cooper and Nicholas E. Sigsbee:

1.Abram.b.8,25,1821; m.Gertrude Winne (1822-1910); d.in 1858; bur.New Salem, Alb.Co.,N.Y. Will (dated 5,18, 1858,& probated at Alb.8,16,1858) left property to wife "Getty," in trust for following children: Rebecca Jane, Catharine Louise, Margaret Elizabeth, and Clara. Executors wife "Getty" and John R.Houghtaling. Children:

1.Rebecca Jane.b.12,14,1847; d.9,20,1940; m.Jacob H.Hallenbeck (b.4,4,1845; d.4,19,1925). They had:

Clara.

William J.

Albert H.

Possibly others.

2.Catharine Louise.b.9,25,1849.

3.Margaret Elizabeth.b.3,28,1852; m.10,14,1873(New Salem Ch.) Charles E. Parish (son of Perry & Cordelia Parish), who was b.10,14,1854, and d.8,15,1908). They had:
Edward J., physician of Oneonta, N.Y., 1946.
Daughter, named ....., who resides in Baltimore, Md.
4.Clara.b.6,28,1854.

2 (of Evert Sigsbee and Rebecca Conde). Margaret Elizabeth. b.2,19,1823; m. Levi Weidman.
3. Cornelia. b.10,29,1824.
4. Lucy. b.....; d.6,5,1845, aged 21 ys.; bur.beside her mother in Stalker burying ground,New Scotland, N.Y.

3 (of Cornelia Cooper and Nicholas E. Sigsbee). Catharina.b. 1,2,1778; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.1,4,1778, no wit.; m. Evert S. Burnside, of Maryland, N.Y.; d.7,6,1860, aged 82 ys. 25 ds.

4.Annatje (Hannah). b.9,14,1779; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 10,17,1779, wit.Jacobus "Olfer" (Oliver) and Annatje Cooper(a sister of the mother); d.9,7,1807.

5.Marytje (Mary).b.4,13,1782; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.5,26,1782, no wit.; m. New Salem Ch.12,22,1804, to Philip Chrysler, Jr.; d.12,...,1844.
1.Selvester.b.9,27,1805; bp.Jeru.Ch.10,19,1805, no wit.; died young.
2.Selvester.b.6,6,1807; bp.Jeru.Ch.7,12,1807,no wit.
3.Evert.b.5,13,1809; bp.Jeru.Ch.6,25,1809, no wit.
4.Maria.b.1,2,1811; bp.Jeru.Ch.2,3,1811, no wit.
5.Nicholas.b.10,2,1812; bp.Jeru.Ch.10,24,1812, no wit.

6.Abraham (Abraham N.). b.8,12,1784; bp....; m.(1), 9,7,1805, Jeru.Ch.,Deborah Commons (dau.of John), and they had:
Cornelia and Elshe. b.2,5,1806; bp.Jeru.Ch.3,2,1806.
Cornelia m. Peter Hilton. Deborah Commons apparently d.y., and Abraham
m. (2). Isabella Commons, and they had:
John.b.9,11,1810; bp.Jeru.Ch.10,5,1810,no wit.
Hannah.b.7,16,1808; bp.Jeru.Ch.8,15,1808,no wit.
Catharine.b.12,22,1814; bp.Jeru.Ch.1,29,1815,no wit. Is said to have m.(1).....Spawn, and (2) ..... Follett.
Eliza Ann.b.9,22,1817; bp.Jeru.Ch.10,12,1817,no wit. Is said to have m. Jacob Weaver, of Guilderland.
Maria.b.5,20,1820; bp.7,2,1820,Jeru.Ch., no wit. In Ch. record the mother is listed as "Elizabeth."
Abraham N. Sigsbee d.8,30,1820, intestate, and Lett.Adm. were granted to "Isabella Sixbey, widow and relict," 1,4,1823, at Albany.

7.Jacob.b.11,8,1786; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.12,24,1786,wit.Evert "Olfer" (Oliver) and Elsje Siksby; m.1,8,1806, to Lucy, dau. of Jacobus Oliver, who was b. abt.1787. Jacob Sigsbee d. 12,20, or 30, 1816. (Miss Cornelia Ward, 511 W.232d St., N.Y.City, has long list of his descendants.)

8.Elizabeth.b.1,6,1789; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.2,9,1789,wit.Salamo Wally and Elizabeth Sixby; d. in infancy.

9.Elizabeth.b.3,26,1790; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.5,23,1790, no wit.; m..... Simmons; d.8,25,1856. Had:
Julia Elizabeth. b.....

10.Nicholas.b.6,27 or 29,1792; bp. Jeru.Ch.,but date bp. not given in Ch.record,wit.Catherina Weller; d.2,7,1867, and is bur. in old Pres.Cem. at New Scotland,Alb.Co. Will

(dated 1,28,1863, and probated at Alb.3,8,1867) mentions "beloved wife Margaret," niece Elizabeth Ann Weaver (widow of Jacob I. Weaver), and son Nicholas Sigsbee, Jr.(one of executors). The following information regarding this family has been contributed by Miss Cornelia Ward, of N. Y.City:

m.(1) Jane Sible, who d.8,1,1851,and is bur.in old Pres. Cem.at New Scotland, where he also is bur. They had:

Nicholas, Jr.b.8,30,1816,at West Davenport,N.Y.; d. 7,6,1890,Otsego.
m.(1) Agnes Orr,who is bur.New Scotland Cem. They had:
1.Jane Augusta.b.5,30,1840,Albany; m.Adam Wesley Smith (b.10,4,1837; d.12, 7,1906); she d.8,2,1910.They had:
Benjamin.b.10,10,1872; d.10,6,1877.
Augusta H.b.9,2,1874. Lives (1944) at Bayshore,L.I.
Elizabeth. (Twin of Augusta H.)
Adam Wesley.b.9,6,1876; d.6,1,1939.
2.Charles Dwight. (Rear Admiral Charles D. Sigsbee of Spanish War fame.) b.1,16, 1845, at Alb.; attended Annapolis Acad.; served in Coast & Geodetic Survey; was Commander of the Maine when it was sunk in Havanna Harbor; d.7,19,1923; bur.Arlington Cem.,Washington,D.C. His wife was Eliza Rogers Lockwood (dau.Gen.Henry H.Lockwood). Children:
1.Anna L.b. ; m.Sumner E.W.Kittelle (in 1939 a Rear Admiral in U.S.N.) Children:
Anna Louise. m.Karl Moore.
Mary. m.Lester Dessey.
Nancy.
Sumner, Jr.
John.
Eleanor. Dead.
2.Mary Ellen. m.(1)...Belfour,and had:
David Ker. Dead.
m.(2) Otto Fischer, artist, & had:
Katrina.b.abt.1914.
3.Ethel. m.Robert T. Small.Children:
Elizabeth.
Eleanor. Dead.
Marjory. m.M.Joseph McCammon.
1.Jean.
2. a dau. b.1938.
4.Charles Dwight, Jr. m. Peggy....,& had son Charles Dwight, who d. before 1939.
5.Eleanor. Dead.
6.Agnes. Dead.
3.Julia Elizabeth.b.10,8,1846, at Alb.;m. Henry Benedict Gregory; d.8,6,1936. They had:

(See next page.)

1.Grace Marie.b.8,2,1870?; d.3,2,1903.
2.Henry Benedict.b.9,25,1864; m.....
3.Marvin.b.10,20,1871; m.Chloe ....
Marvin Jr.
4.Luther Paul.b.8,21,1850, at Alb.; m.....;
Paul Raymond.
Nicholas Sigsbee, Jr., m. (2) Celeste Scrambling, in 1872. No children.

Nicholas (10th child of Cornelia Cooper and Nicholas E. Sigsbee) continued:
m.(2), Hannah Fowler, and they had:
Ida Jane.b.2,27,1858; d.2,15,1866.
m.(3), Margaret, widow of ..... Earle, who is wife mentioned in his will.

11 (of Cornelia Cooper & Nicholas E.Sigsbee). Obadiah.b.3,8, 1795; bp. Jeru.Ch.4,19,1795,no wit.; d.10,2,1852. (Miss Cornelia Ward has some information concerning his descendants.)

12.William.b.3,9,1798; bp.Jeru.Ch.4,29,1798,no wit.; m.3,21, 1818, New Salem Ch.,Elizabeth Heller (dau.of Baltus & Harriet Heller,of Bethlehem), who was b.1,11,1802,and d. 2,18,1886; William d.4,25,1886. He, his wife, and two of their children are bur. Mount Pleasant Cem., in New Scotland,N.Y. Children:
1.Harriet.b.7,20,1819; m.Henry Felter; no children; she d.4,17,1903.
2.Abram.b.3,20,1821; m.Kate Eliza Houghtaling and, later, m.Hannah Houghtaling; d.1,28,1901; no children.
3.Cornelia.b.2,20,1825; m.9,15,1847 (Westerlo Ch.) Fletcher Ward (b.2,29,1824; d.10,27,1864); she d.6, 8,1906; both bur., with children, in Prospect Hill Cem., Guilderland, Alb.Co., N.Y.
1.William Sigsbee Ward.b.9,8,1848; m.11,18,1871, Catharine R.Carhart (b.3,31,1840; d.4,22, 1921); he d.7,11,1921. They had:
Cornelia Carhart.b.3,29,1878; unm.; resides (1946) at 511 West 232d St., N.Y.City.
2.Eustatia Harriet.b.2,1,1861; m., 1883, to Charles White; d.6,26,1901.
1.Raymond Henry.b.4,21,1887; m.10,8,1920, to Evelyn Hawes.
2.Nellie.b.12,1,1893; m.1,3,1922, to Wm.J. Morse; they live in Toronto.
3.Harold.b.5,1,1901; d.2,16,1927.
4.Baltus.b.8,23,1826; m.12,27,1848, Palmyra Jackson,and had:
Arthur.b.1,12,1850; m.(1) 1874, Elizabeth Proctor; d.1887. They had:
Maude.b.....; m.Joseph Merritt Dunlap, & had:
Sigsbee.b.....; m. Dorothy.....
Dorothy.b.....; m.Gerald Osborne, & had:
James.b. abt.1930.
Hadley.b.....1932.
Addison.b.4,23,1851; m.Mary Ripley; d.1937.
Ray Addison.b.1884?; m.Edith Corner; no children. Is a physician at Leonia, N.J.,1944.

(The 2d wife of Baltus Sigsbee was Sarah Rogers,and his 3d wife was Valeria..... He lived for many yrs. near Quincy, Ill., and d. 1914.

5.William.b.11,8,1828; m.Anna Elizabeth Shultes, and had large family; d.1,1,1916. (Miss Ward has some information regarding his many descendants.)

6. (of William Sigsbee & Elizabeth Heller). Maria Eliza. b.3,27,1831 (Jeru.Ch.record); m. John Allen. Had many descendants.

4. (of Abraham Cooper and Catharina Ostrander). Maria. bp.1st D.Ch.Alb. 9,12,1756, wit.Johannis and Maria Weynerse; no record of her having married and date of death not found.

5. Annatje. bp.Dutch Ref.Ch.Fishkill,N.Y.,11,29,1758, wit.John Cooper and "Rutje Willson" [Ruth Wiltse]. (John Cooper of Fishkill was oldest brother of Abraham Cooper and Ruth Wiltse was John's 2d wife.) m.1st D.Ch.Alb.5,28,1780, to Wynant E.Vandenberg (son of Evert and Annatje Lansing Vandenberg, and b.8,7,1757). Children:

1. Evert. b.7,4,1781; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.7,29,1781, wit.Evert and Jannetje Vandenberg. d.y.
2. Abraham. bp.Schaghticoke D.Ref.Ch.6,8,1784, wit. "Abraham Koeper [Cooper] and Lena Van Buren [Cooper] ". (The brackets are in the church record book. Abraham Cooper was father of Annatje, and Lena Van Buren was his 2d wife, to whom he was married in 1779.)
3. Evert. b.6,20,1785; bp.Boght Ch.7,5,1786, wit.Abraham Van Den Bergh & Jannetje Van Schaik. d.y.
4. Catharina. b.12,22,1787; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.1,13,1788, wit. Christofell and Catharina Yates. (Catharina Lansing, wife of Christopher Yates, was a first cousin of Annatje Cooper Vandenberg.) This Catharina Vandenberg m. Simon Van Vranken, of Niskayuna, Schenectady Co., and had 4 sons (Wynant, Abram, Evert, and Obadiah) and 4 daughters (Anna, Gertrude, Johanna, and Dorcas Eliza). Anna Van Vranken was 2d wife of Cornelius Cooper, son of Obadiah A. and Elizabeth Ostrander Cooper, and therefore his cousin.
5. Evert. b.7,11,1791; bp.7,31,1791, Niskayuna D.Ref.Ch., wit. Andrias Lansing and Annatie Van D.Bergh.
6. Wynandt. b.7,20,1793; bp.8,11,1793, Boght R.F.D.Ch., wit. Abraham Van Den Bergh and Annatie Van D.Bergh.
7. Obadiah. b.1,12,1796; bp.D.R.Ch.Boght 2,14,1796, no wit.; m. Maria Ostrander.
8. Harpert Lansing. b.1,17,1798; bp.R.F.D.Ch.Boght 2,11,1798, wit. Harbert Lansing and Marytje Smet.

6. Rebecca. bp.1st D.R.Ch.Alb.11,2,1760, wit.Tobias and Lea Witbeck; m., same Ch.,6,24,1781, to Evert "Olfert" (Oliver), who was a son of Jan "Olfert" (Oliver) and Marytje Siksby (Sigsbee), and bp.11,11,1760.

1. Catharina. b.2,3,1782; bp.1st D.R.Ch.Alb.3,8,1782, wit.Nicholas and Cornelia "Siksby." (The latter a sister of Rebecca.)
2. Johannes. b.11,5,1783; bp., same Ch., 12,28,1783, wit.Johs. and Maritje "Oliver."
3. Maria. b.10,27,1785; bp.11,20,1785, Gilead Even.Luth.Ch., Brunswick Town, Rensselaer Co., wit.Arnd Olver and Maria Fr & Sor ? (illegible).
4. Arie. b.3,26,1790; bp.5,9,1790 (same Ch.), wit. Nicholaus Oliver and Anna Oliver Fr. & Sor.?? (Mother's name misspelled "Bridget.")
5. Elizabeth. bp.Jeru.Ch., Alb.Co., (day & month not given), 1792, wit. Elle Sixbey.
6. Cornelia. b.4,12,1794; bp.Jeru.Ch. 5,18,1794, no wit.
7. Jacob. b.5,8,1796; bp.Jeru.Ch.6,12,1796, no wit.
8. Evert. b.9,2,1798; bp.Jeru.Ch.10,27,1798, no wit.; m. Temperance Terbush, and had:
   Abraham. b.11,1,1821; bp.Jeru.Ch.12,2,1821, no wit.
9. Ryherd (Richard). b.4,30,1801; bp.Jeru.Ch.5,24,1801, no

wit.; m. Esther Bartlett, and had:
Abraham.b.1,27,1820; bp.Jeru.Ch.5,20,1820, no wit.
Sally.b.1,23,1822; bp.Jeru.Ch.2,24,1822, no wit.

7. Obadiah (Obadiah A.). b.9,30,1762; bp.1st D.R.Ch.Alb.10,24,1762,wit. Thomas and Margarita Cooper. (Thomas was brother of Abraham Cooper and Margarita Van Antwerpen was 2d wife of Thomas.) m. Sept.1789,Prot.Ref.D.Ch.East Greenbush, N.Y., to his cousin Elizabeth Ostrander, dau. of Abraham and Elizabeth Ostrander.

1.Abraham. b.5,12,1790; bp.Schod.D.R.Ch.7,3,1790, wit.Abraham and Elizabeth Ostrander (parents of the mother); m. in Cayuga Co.,N.Y.,4,6,1816, to Mrs. Polly (Winchell) Bates, wid. with one child (dau.). He is listed as a Capt.in 1817, 88th Regt.Cayuga Co. Infty. Was a farmer. Later moved to Iowa.

1.Eliza.b.3,6,1817; did not marry.
2.Havilah.b.10,26,1818; d.9,11,1823.
3.Dennis.b.9,24,1820; d.9,4,1893; m.... Elizabeth ....., and had:
1.Lillian.b..... ; m..... Rich; lived at Auburn,N.Y.
2.Jennie A.b..... ; m.....Gould; lived at Ledyard, Cayuga Co.,N.Y.
4.Emeline.b.9,2,1822; m.Patrick Murphy,of Victory, Cayuga Co.,N.Y.; she d.6,2,1856; he d.in 1882; his 2d wife was Caroline M..... All 3 bur.in Victory Cem.
5.Viletta.b.12,5,1824; d.9,13,1831.
6.Aramentta.b.2,6,1827; d.1,26,1873.
7.Horace.b.5,1,1829.
8.Mary ("Maryett").b.8,2,1831.
9.Francis Hubbard.b.9,25,1833.
10.Benton.b.2,17,1836.

2.Tunis.Physician, surgeon, farmer. b.5,31,1792,East Greenbush Town,Rensselaer Co.,N.Y.; m.2,23,1814, Kind.Ch., to Jane Roraback; he d.2,11,1880;she d.9,6,1883; both bur. at Worcester, Otsego Co., N.Y. Children:

1.Son who d. in infancy.
2.Alida.b.5,22,1816; bp.Schod.D.R.Ch.7,28,1816; m.Giles Goodenough. After losing 3 children in infancy they reared 10: Arthur,Emily,Ermina,Birney,Tunis Cooper, Elizabeth,Jennie, Estelle,Florence,Alice. Alida d. 1,16,1903; her husband d.9,7,1904; both bur.in Cem. at Worcester, Otsego Co., N.Y.
3.Elizabeth.b.4,27,1818; bp.Schod.D.R.Ch.5,31,1818; m. Rev.Levi P.Morse, a Baptist minister; she d.2,5, 1899. Children:
1.Orpha.b.....; m.....Michael Smith; d...
2.William.b.....; m..? ; d.....
4.Catharine.b.5,25,1820; bp.Schod.D.R.Ch.; m.12,5,1844, to Harmon W.Merchant; d.4,1,1898. Children:
1.Adelbert. d. in infancy.
2.Havilah. " " "
3.Amelia.b.....; m.Arthur Maim; d.4,1,1898.
5.Jane.b.11,13,1821; bp.Schod.D.R.Ch.6,8,1823; m.Mason Springstead; she d.10,29,1898; he d.7,28,1906.
6.dau. who d. in infancy.
7.Julian. (dau.) b.7,29,1824; m.12,23,1845,George B. Judd; he d.1,7,1892; she d.4,9,1897; both bur. at Jefferson,N.Y. Children:
1.Alice. b.....; m.Lester J. Neer.
2.Alvin. d.y.

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3.Georgiana.b.....; m. Hialmer Clark.
4.Tunis. b.....; m. Mattie Clark.

8.Alvin. Practicing physician for a year; Presbyterian minister rest of life. b.8,13,1826; m.9,17,1857,to Emma Manwaring; d.12,29,1913; both bur.Jefferson, N.Y.,Cem. Children:

1.Alvin Willard. Missionary to Siam for more than 40 ys. Was b..... 1859; m. (1) Nettie Sayers, and (2) Eleanor Parker; d..... 1930; bur.beside his parents in Jefferson Cem.
2.Larissa Jane. b.....; Missionary to Siam.
3.Ellen Adelia. b.....; m.her cousin Delos E.Lines of Jefferson,N.Y.; he d. many yrs.ago; she (a brilliant woman, poetess,and with keen sense of humor) is living 1946. Children:
1.Willard Samuel.b.12,2,1891; m.6,..,1913, to Mabel Onthank; lives (1946) at Washington, D.C.; no children.
2.Marcus. In 1945 lived on Long Island.
3.Alvin.
4.Anna May.b.....; m.....E.G.Danforth.

9. Daughter who d. in infancy.

10.Maria. d. in infancy.

11.Maria No.2. b.3,3,1832; m.10,22,1856, to Milo Miles Lines (b.5,29,1835; served in Civil War, and d.11,26,1900); she d.11,9,1924, aged 92 ys. Children:

1.Rosella. b.....; m..... Harris. They had dau. Winifred, who in 1941 lived with her aunt Miss Carrie Julia Lines at Jefferson, N.Y.
2.Carrie Julia.b.9,1,1860; unm.
3.Delos E. b.....; m.Ellen Adelia Cooper, his cousin; d. many yrs. ago.

12.George.b.9,23,1833; m. (1) 12,24,1855, Nancy Alpert (b.12,18,1837; d.8,..,1893); he d.10,2,1901,& is bur. in Cem. at Worcester, Otsego Co.,N.Y. He m.(2), 6,28,1894,Mrs. Josephine Smith. Children:

1.Willis Alcestis. (When their father d. in 1901
) one son lived at Binghamton,
2.Ernest. (N.Y., and the other was a Meth-
) odist minister in N.Mex.

13.Cassandra.b.5,7,1837; m.11,7,1860, to Judson Goodenough (b.9,2,1838, and a nephew of Giles C. Goodenough).

Myrta Lillian was only child.

3.John. Carpenter and farmer; a Corpl. in War of 1812 at Sacketts Harbor,N.Y. Born 8,15,1794,in East Greenbush Town,Rensselaer Co.,N.Y.; bp...(not found); m.2,16, 1817, at Cato, Cayuga Co.,N.Y., to Amanda Cochran, a dau. of John Cochran (a Rev.sailor under John Paul Jones) and his wife Elizabeth Greenslit. John Cooper was killed (by a wind-blown tree on his farm) on 10,23,1831; his wife d.1,17,1845; both bur.in Cem. at Victory, Cayuga Co.,N.Y. They had 9 children:

1.Lorenzo. Carpenter & builder. b.8,10,1818, at Victory, N.Y.; m.9,29,1846,Eliza Townsend; 4 children (Thurlow,Baxter,Effie, & Harriet); moved to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in 1864; died May 8th,1898. Greatly beloved by his brothers and sisters. His dau.Harriet m.Israel Albert Lary & left many descendants, a list of whom was, regretfully, recd too late to include herein.

2. Eliza Jane.b.2,17,1820; m.1,12,1841, Fernando Cortez Lawrence, of Skaneateles,N.Y.; he d.11,5,1892, ae. 84 ys.; she d.8,30,1896; both bur.Skaneateles Cem.
   1.Charles C. b. 1856; d.9,9,1870.
   2.Susan. Died young and unm.
   3.Elpha. " " " "
   4.Lottie. In later life lived in Seattle,Wash.
   5.Kate. b. ; m.Dr.Cleveland, of Detroit,Mich.
3. Sally Maria.b.5,8,1821; m.2,7,1843, Truman Adam Skeel (b.1820; son of Methodist Minister); he d.4,20,1886; she d.1,6,1909; both bur.Cem. at Mount Pleasant,Oswego Co.,N.Y. Had 11 children:
   1.Harmon Edgar (Edgar). b.11,29,1843; m.Eliza P.Osborn; d.11.3,1900. Children:
      1. William Harlowe. b.1869; m.1892 Mary L.Joslin; lives Providence,R.I. Had: Ina E. (b.12,31,1893; d.8,..,1895) and Marion Louise (b.7,9,1906; unm.; social worker Providence,R.I.).
      2.Blanche Lovina. b.prob.1871; m.(1) Chester Ives, and had: Hazel, Erma and Earl (twins) Mildred (m.Revette), Harriet (m.Stewart), Wendell (in W.W.II); she m. (2) Charles Foster; lives Fulton, N.Y.
      3. Clarence Ray. b.prob.1873; m.Elizabeth Garrison; no children.
   2.Francis Adelbert. Church worker & bible teacher. b.6,9,1845; d.Cleveland,O.,3,3,1931; m. (1) Henrietta Butler, and had:
      1.Roland.b.1869; m. Alva Bopple; 1 child (Eunice); he a famous surgeon in W.W.I., in charge of a base hospital in France.
      2.Arthur Julius.b.1875; a leading obstetrician of Cleveland and Middle West; wife Blandena Kern; he d. Cleveland 1942. Children:
         1.Marguerite. m.....McDonald; lives Cleveland.
         2.Roland. Presbyt. Minister; 3 children.
         3.Arthur. Served W.W.II.
      Francis Adelbert m. (2) Anna Gamble, and had:
         1.Lila. b.1887.
         2.Lottie.b.1889.
         3.Lulu.b. 1892.
         4.Lloyd F. b.1895; m. Anna Petroske; Lives 3016 Lake Ave., Cheverly, Md.
            1.Ralph.b.1918.
            2.Edris.b.1922; m.Lt.Kay W.Kroepsch, W.W.II.
            3.David.b.1935.
         5.Lenore.b.1897.
         6.Lois.b.1899.
         7.Laverne.b.1903.
   3.John Cooper.b.1846; d.Cleveland,O.,1925; m. (1) Flora Dunsha, and had:
      1.Frank Dunsha.b.1871; d.1929.
      2.Louis Albert.b.1874. Lives Lakewood,O.
      3.Harriet M. b.1879; unm; lives 2040 Stearns Rd., Cleveland,O.
      John Cooper Skeel m. (2) Annie Pauline Stockwell and had:

1. Helen Pauline. b.1894; m. Charles R. Atwood; lives Cleveland Hgts, O. Their son Charles in W.W.II Air Force. Their dau. Julie m. Robt. Whitaker.
2. John Stockwell. b.1898; m. Margery McCabe, and had: Sally Ann (b.1929); John Cooper 2nd (b.1932); and Margery Susan (b.1934).

4. Monroe. b.12,21,1847; d. Fulton, N.Y., 5,11,1915; m. (1) Excene Markham and had: Jessie (m. Fred Howell) and Florence (b. abt.1883; m. C.L. Townsend; lives Rochester, N.Y.; and has sons Monroe and Charles).
5. Amanda Elizabeth. b.4,25,1849; d.3,6,1933; m. Alonzo Belmot Rowlee, who d.1919. They had:
   1. Charles. b.1872; d.1944; m. Rhoda Distin.
      1. Elon Kellogg Rowlee, Mayor of Fulton, N.Y., for many ys. His oldest son (Clyde) served Air Corps W.W.II.
      2. Evelyn. m. A.J. Sheldon.
      3. Esther. m. H.R. Jerred.
      4. Erma. m. Samuel Gullard.
   2. Grace. b....; m. (1) Earl Foster and had 4 children; m. (2) F. Mattison.
   3. Melvin. Has 8 children.
   4. Gertrude. b.1894; m. F. Colosimo and has 6 children.
6. Prentice Madison. Church worker and bible teacher. b.10,7,1851; m., Cleveland, O., 1879, Clara Laughlin; d. Vancouver, B.C., 1938.
   1. Myrtle. b.1880; m.1903 E.P. Moulton, and had
      Evelyn Ruth (b.1904; m. Robt. W. Chamberlain, Lt.Col. Field Art. Force W.W.II.)
      Phillips Prentice. b.1909.
      Clara Lillian. b.1914.
   2. Ernest. Prominent lawyer at Seattle; wife Hazel Emory.
   3. Bertha . m. E.E. McClintock, who d. yrs. ago. She has 3 children. Her dau. Betty m. a Presbyt. Minister.
   4. Clara. m. Albert M. Williams and has Ruth, Albert M. Jr., and Mollie Sue.
   5. Ruth. b.1889; m. 1920 Frank Lee. They and dau. Frances Blackburn Lee now live at Parksville, Vancouver Island.
7. Roseltha M. b.2,4,1855; d.9,5,1860.
8. Frank Eugene. Church worker and bible teacher. b. 2,20,1858; m.1882 Artemisia Edgerton; d. Cleveland, O., 1935.
   1. Byron Chester. b.1884; d. 1885.
   2. Ray Jerrey. b.1885; m. (1) Edith Palmer (d. 1919); m. (2) Belva Luthe. Children: Lowell Palmer (b.1911), Kathryn (b. 1921), and Martha Mae (b.1929).
   3. Lee Ellis. Judge Court Appeals, Cleveland, O. b.1888. Has 2 children: Thomas Ellis (b.1919) and Shirley Lee (b.1920).
   4. Ina Mae. b.1891; m.1916 Dr. Frank F. Happy, who d. 1936. Children: Jacqueline Mae (b. 1920; m. G.O. Kibler); Frank Turner (b. 1923); John Thomas (b.1924); and Patricia Anne (b.1929).

5. Burt Eugene. Capt.Air Force W.W.II. b.1894; m.Gertrude Leingang; d.1924, Pulitzer Air Races, Akron,O. Children:Burt Eugene Jr. (b.1921) and Gertrude Evelyn (b.1923).

9. Tunis C. b.7,1,1859; d.7,5,1859.

10. Alonzo Bruce. b.1,8,1863; m.Olive A.Wright; d. 1928. Children (adopted): Ethel (m. Roy Robertson and has 4 children) and Hilda (m. John Brakey and has dau. Marcia Sue).

11. Lucy Mai. b.6,18,1865; m.10,12,1892, Hiram F. Horton; she d.11,11,1940; he d.1,1,1944; both bur. Pine Hill Cem., btw. Weedsport & Auburn, N.Y. Only child:

Lucy Maria. b.1,2,1895; m. 1921 to William Horace Payne; no children; live Middle Grove, N. Y. Her special hobbies are Historical and Genealogical Research. He served World War I.

4 (of John Cooper & Amanda Cochran):

Harriet.b.6,17,1823; m.10,17,1839, to David Lester, who was b.8,1,1818, & d.12,15,1911; she d. 4,22,1895; both bur. Mexico,N.Y.,Cem.

1.Amanda Jane.b.11,29,1840; m.....1861 to Langdon Hubbard,of Huron City,Mich., where she d. 10,7,1868, and is bur.in Mexico,N.Y.Cem. Children:

1.Frank Watson.b.....1862. Banker of Detroit, Mich., 1946.

2.Mattie ("Annabel").b.2, ,1864; m.12,21, 1892, William Lyon Phelps. She d.3,22, 1939; he d.8,21,1943. No children.

3.Richard.b.....1866; d., unm., in early manhood, in Calif., where he had gone for his health.

2.Lucy Maria.b.10,28,1842; d.3,12,1853.

3.Cassius Clay.b.10,8,1844; served in Civil War; m.(1) 4,27,1867, Eliza Ann Stebbins, of Penn Yan, N.Y., who d.3,1,1887, leaving 3 children:

1.Elon Stebbins.b.11,7,1870; m.(1) Olga Marie Kasel; d.8,1,1936, leaving: Elon Stebbins,Jr., Archibald, Lucile, Lola, and Byrdie.

2.Georgianna.b.2,13,1875; m.1,18,1903, Benjamin Franklin Ferris; he d.3,8,1926. She lives (1946) at Olean,N.Y. Children:

1.Dorothy Jean.b.3,6,1904; is a school teacher at Olean,N.Y.

2.Nathan Lester.b.8,18,1908; m.3,3, 1936,Conchita Marmol Esquival, of Salvador, Salvador. No children. Lives Washington, D. C.

3.Frank Burt.b.11,6,1883; m.1,25,1914, to Grace Divine Van Wagenen. Lives at Wallkill,N.Y. Only child:
Caryle Wilmarth Lester.b.9,4,1917; graduate of Fredonia Normal School 1941; served in World War II; unm.
Cassius Clay Lester m.(2) Hattie Amelia Van Ness, of Penn Yan,N.Y., on 3,2,1888; she d.7,31,1906, leaving:
1.May.b.10,12,1888; m.11,26,1919, Norman McLeod Lisk, who d.8,22,1937. Their only child d. in infancy.
2.C.Clay.b.7,14,1891; m.(1).....; m.(2) 11,25,1931, Olive May Hare; lived at Wallkill,N.Y., for many years, and d. there 5,19,1946, leaving:
Duane Webster. b.2,11,1941.
Cassius Clay Lester m.(3), on 3,19,1911, Cornelia Ruger, of Penn Yan, N.Y. No children. He d.12,18,1924; bur. Penn Yan,N.Y.
4.Melissa Harriet. Artist,author, beloved Mother. b.8,3,1846; m.8,19,1861, to Daniel Wilmarth (b. 1831, only son of John and Rachel Wilmarth). She d.9,16,1931, and is bur. in Rock Creek Cem. Washington, D.C. Children:
1.Florence Ella.b.9,29,1862; d., unm., 11,5, 1934; bur.Rock Creek Cem.,Washington,D.C.
2.Flora. b.2,...,1864; died in infancy.
3.Mary Grace (M.Grace). b.4,10,1866; unm.; lives (1946) at Washington,D.C.
4.Lester Hubbard. Carpenter, builder. b.9,6, 1867; d., unm., 3,3,1929; bur.Rock Creek Cem., Washington,D.C.
5.David Proudfit. Prominent lawyer of Oswego,N.Y. b.6,25,1848; m..... Mary Fort,of Mexico,N.Y.; d.12,11,1898; bur.Mexico,N.Y.,Cem. She d. Hartford,Conn., 12,..,1939, aged 88 ys. Children:
1.Child who d. in infancy.
2.Raymond Blaine. Assistant Cashier of bank at Hartford,Conn., for many years. b.7,.., 1884; unm.
6.Freedom David.b.1,25,1854; d.1,27,1860; bur. Mexico,N.Y.,Cem.
5.Katherine.b. 1824 or 1825; d.in girlhood.
6.Menzo. Farmer, Martville,N.Y. b.11,23,1826; m.3,27,1849, Maria Lester; he d.7,8,1897; she d.3,19,1917; both bur.Martville Cem.
1.Helen E. b.9,8,1850; m.12,25,1872, Rantsford H. Fletcher (Vet.Civil War), and carpenter; he d. many ys. before she died, 5,10,1942; both bur. Martville,N.Y.,Cem. Children:
1.Armelle.b.....; m.....Arthur Leadbeater (born in London, England). She b. and lived all her life at Auburn,N.Y. Had one child, a dau., who d. in infancy.
2.Ina.b.....; m.....Jesse C. Bell, an educator; No children. He d.2,18,1946, bur.Bell Cem. Lot in Riverside Cem.,Windsor,N.Y. She lives 9 Eastern Parkway,Auburn.

3. A son who d. in early childhood; bur. in Martville,N.Y.,Cem.

2. Willoughby John. b.11,8,1851; m.6,30,1896, Estelle E.Eldridge. Lived at Hannibal,N.Y. He d. several ys. before she d. in 1939. They had one son, who went West after the death of his mother. He (Frank) was killed (auto) Detroit,1946.

3. Zorah J. b.10,16,1853; m.(1) 6,4,1872,William H. Bell; m. (2) 9,10,1889, Benj.Croscup. She d. 7,..,1931.

4. George A. Farmer, mill owner, and for many ys. President of the bank at Cato,N.Y. b.6,18,1863; m. (1) Flora Near,3,26,1890; no children. He m. (2) Bessie Arnold. They live at Cato, N.Y. No children.

5. Lulu Estella. b.6,4,1866; m.4,25,1888, Geo.B.Crofoot. He d. many ys. before she d., in 1940 or 1941. They lived at Hannibal,N.Y. Had several children; a son George lives at Rodeo,Cal.;has several children.

7. Amanda. b.7,9,1828; m.9,30,1847,by Rev.Alanson Scofield, of Red Creek, Wayne Co.,N.Y., to John Brightwell, of Sterling,Cayuga Co., N.Y. Most of married life spent in Ohio (Urbana, Columbus, Cleveland). He d. many ys. before she d. She is bur. at Cleveland,O. Children:

1. son, d.y.
2. Frances. d.y.
3. Rose. b. ; m.Charles Cathcart, who d. long before she d. No children. She bur. Cleveland, O.

8. Alonzo. Lt.Civil War; merchant, author, poet. b.4,9, 1830; m.2,15,1852, Mary Kirk; he d.1,23, 1919; she d.4,29,1927. Both bur. Sterling Center,N.Y.,Cem. Children:

1. William Pardee. b.9,30,1853; d.6,1,1860.
2. Mary Belle. b.2,1,1870; d.8,2,1870.
3. Ina Lunette. Educator, author (elem. school grammar and books of verse), and for 26 ys. teacher of English and English lit. at Boys Polytechnic Inst.,Brooklyn, N.Y. b.10,30,1871; m.6,30,1897, Charles Nelson Lane, educator. Live 896 Sterling Place, Brooklyn.

1. Louise Cooper. b.5,29,1898; m.4,3,1925, Harry Allen Moore. Residence, Burlingame, Calif. Only child:

Robert Allen . b.6,5,1926; a student at Leland Stanford Univ.; briefly in Naval service W.W.II.

2. Charles Alonzo Kirk. (Charles K.). b.5,27,1900. Served in World War I, in France; and as a Major in South Pacific in World War II; m.11,10,1921, to Jean Cartledge Butler; now Retired Lt. Col.

Mary Jean. b.8,15,1922; unm. 1946.

Their home is at Severna Park, Md.

9. Viletta. b.9,13,1831; m.John Bame, who d.3,11,1903; she d.11,26,1904; both bur.Fort Hill Cem., Auburn, N.Y. They had one son, William, who left several descendants at Auburn.

4. Peter. (Of Obadiah A. Cooper and Elizabeth Ostrander.) Farmer. b.7,27,1796; bp.E.G.Ch.8,13,1796; m (1)... 1820 to Pamelia Vanderhuyden (dau.of Matthias and Esther Vanderhuyden), who d.11,27,1841,aged 37 ys. 10 ms., 27 ds., and is buried in Victory,N.Y.,Cem. Children ?? Peter m. (2) Katherine Wiggins (sister of 1st wife of Peter's brother Cornelius), and they had son John W., who d. at Belding, Mich. John W. had son Clyde V., who in 1941 was living at Belding. Peter's last days were spent at Cedar Falls, Iowa.

5. Catharine. b....1798; m. at Victory,N.Y., to Jacob Z. Haws; d. before 1832. They had:
   Catharine. b. ; m. Charles W.Scott, of Conquest, Cayuga Co.,N.Y. They had:
   1. Charles W.
   2. Jesse D.

6. Elizabeth. b.10,12,1800; bp.E.G.Ch.10,19,1800; m. at Victory,N.Y., to John P. Van Allen; d. at Watkins,N.Y., in 1871. Children:
   1.John J. b. at Allegheny,Pa.; d. at Watkins,N.Y.
   2.Cornelius Cooper. b. ; m. ; in 1915 was living at Watkins.N.Y. His only surviving child:
   Elizabeth Van Allen.
   3. Eliza.

7. Obadiah A. Jr. Farmer, evangelist, minister. b.1,2,1803; bp.D.R.Ch. Guilderland Center,Albany Co.,N.Y. 1,30,1803; m.(1) Anna (Wilkenson?), who d. in 1837, leaving a son (Simeon O.). Obadiah A. Jr. m.(2) (name not found), and had:
   1.Harris M., who m.(1)....., and had dau. Edith; he m. (2)....., and had: Harris M. Jr. (who d.1935), Ernest (living 1946), and Mattie.
   2.Emma L. b. , m.1871 to Simeon Knickerbocker, of Watertown,N.Y.
   Obadiah A.Cooper Jr. m. (3) Sarah Ann....., who was his wife when he d., at Syracuse,N.Y.,7,24,1871. Whether she or his 2d wife was mother of his son Havilah (mentioned in his will) is not known to us. Havilah Cooper had son Frank and dau. Kate Dell, who also are mentioned in his will.

8. Cornelius. Farmer. b.4,3,1805; bp.D.R.Ch. Guilderland Center, Alb.Co.,N.Y.,4,27,1805; m.(1) Matilda Wiggins (a gddau. of his father's sister Elizabeth Cooper, who m. John Sullivan), and had:
   1.William Obadiah. b. 1832; lived 8 mos.
   2.Elizabeth Catharine. b.6,25,1834; m.Abram Vandenberg (gdson of Wynant Vandenberg,of Alb.Co., N.Y.); no children; most of their married life was spent at Valley Falls, Kans.
   3.Sarah. b. 1836; m.(1) William Mosher,of Oswego Co.,N.Y.; they moved to Minn., where he died. She m.(2) James Archer; in 1901 they lived at Robbinsdale,Minn. Not known whether they had children.
   4.Matilda Lucinda.b.8,3,1839; m.3,14,1862, to John W.Butterfield, a friend of her brother Frank. He d.8,5,1914; she d.in 1917; both bur.Forest Lawn Cem., Buffalo,N.Y. Children (see next page):

1.Mertie May. b. 1865; m.1,31,1889, to William Penrose Betts, of a Phila. Quaker family. Their married life was spent at Buffalo,N.Y., where he d. in April, 1942, and where she d. in 1943. Only child:

Charles Walter Betts. b.7,13,1895. Served 2 ys.in Aviation Service at Tours, France,in 1st World War. He m..... Alice ..... They now live at his parents' old home, 791 Richmond Ave., Buffalo,N.Y. Only child:

Lois. b.abt.1927.

2.Leona Leonora.b. ; m. Jay Stagg, of Buffalo,N.Y., who d. many years ago.She now makes her home with her only child:

Eleanor. b. ; m. Dr.S.H.Raymond, of Cazenovia,N.Y. They have a son (Samuel, in college,1946) and a younger dau. (Sue, in girl's school,1946).

5.William (No.2). b..... 1842; d., unm., of measles in Civil War.

6.Benjamin Franklin (Frank). Merchant and a fine "Christian gentleman". b.9,20,1844; enlisted, at 20, in U.S.Navy, and served till discharged 10,24,1865. In 1866 he settled in Ionia Co., Mich. He m.7,28, 1867, Alenah Ods, who d.6,28,1912. Most of his life was spent at Cambria,Mich.He d.6,18,1931. Only child:

William G.b.8,28,1868, in Kent Co.,Mich.; m. Kate ..... In 1941 he and his wife were living at Reading,Pa. No children.

Cornelius Cooper's 1st wife d.12,24,1844,in Wayne Co.,N.Y. On 7,16,1846 (Niskayuna D.R.Ch. Alb.Co.,N.Y.) he m. his 2d cousin Anna Van Vranken (a dau.of Simon and Catherine (Vandenberg) Van Vranken), who lived till 11,15,1856. They had:

1.Harriet Anna.b.4,2,1850; bp.Niskayuna D.R. Ch.5,19,1850, no wit.

2.Alvin Everett.b.5,10,1852; bp.Niskayuna Ch. 12,5,1852,no wit.

Cornelius Cooper d.at home of his son Frank in Mich. 11,20,1874. Is bur.at Smyrna,Ionia Co.,Mich.

9.James. b.12,23,1808; bp.1,29,1809,Guilderland Center D.R. Ch.,Alb.Co.,N.Y.; d., unm., btw.1820 and 1830.

8 (of Abraham Cooper and Catharina Ostrander). Lea. b.9,15,1764; bp. 1st D.R.Ch.Alb.10,7,1764,wit.Johnathan and Gerritje Witbeek; m.9,6,1786, 1st D.Ch.Alb., to her cousin Thomas Cooper, son of her father's brother Jacob Cooper, of Bethlehem,Alb.Co., N.Y. Lea appears to have d.btw.1811 and 1820, as she is not listed in 1820 census.

Children born to Lea and Thomas Cooper.

1.Catharina.b.3,15,1787; bp.1st D.R.Ch.Alb.,4,15,1787,wit. Nicholas Siksby and Cornelia Cooper(sister of Lea).

2.Jacob.b.3,1,1788; bp.3,18,1788,Helderberg D.R.Ch.at Guilderland Center,Alb.Co.,N.Y.,wit.Jacob Cooper and "Gezyna" (Josina) Cooper (parents of Thomas Cooper); m. Mary Weedman or Wedeman. (Children, next page.)

1. John. b.10,29,1808; bp.1,22,1809, New Salem Ch., Alb.Co., N.Y., no wit.
2. Abraham. b.5,19,1811; bp.7,14,1811, same Ch., no wit.
3. Son listed as under 10 ys. in 1820 census.
4. Caty. b.1,15,1814; bp.3,20,1814, New Salem Ch., no wit.

3. Abraham. b.5,10,1789; bp.1st D.Ch.Alb.5,29,1789, wit. Abraham Cooper and Lena Van Buren (father of Lea Cooper and his 2d wife); m. Sally..... (The 1820 census of Cato, Cayuga Co., N.Y., lists his family as follows:
   1 man 26-45 ys. (Himself.)
   1 woman 16-26 ys. (Wife, whose name was Sally, according to real-estate documents they signed in 1831 and 1833.)
   1 girl under 10 ys. (Name not found.)
4. "Euzzina" (Josina). b.1,1,1791; bp.1,30,1791, by Rev. John Young, Presb.Ch., New Scotland, N.Y.
5. "Obadya" (Obadiah). bp.10,5,1792, New Salem D.R.Ch., wit. "Obadya Coeper and wife." (brother of Thomas and wife.) Appears to have d. before 1810 census was taken.
6. Thomas Jr. b.9,14,1794; bp.10,19,1794, New Salem Ch., no wit. Moved to Cato, Cayuga Co., N.Y., before 1820, where he is listed as Thomas Cooper Jr. in 1820 census.
7. Maria. b.11,14,1796; bp.12,25,1796, New Salem Ch., Alb.Co., wit. Jacob Wheeler and Maria Settern.
8. Annatje. b.12,30,1798; bp.2,3,1799, New Salem Ch., no wit.
9. John. b.12,1,1800; bp.1,25,1801, New Salem Ch., no wit.
10. Cornelia. b.12,20,1802; bp.3,27,1803, New Salem Ch., no wit.
11. Elias Day. b.4,7,1808; bp.4,30,1808, New Salem Ch., no wit.
12. Sarah. b.1,27,1811; bp.2,23,1811, " " " " "

9. Catharina. b.9,21,1766; bp.1st D.R.Ch.Alb.9,23,1766 ("the mother being then dead"); m.1st D.R.Ch.Alb.11,20,1786, to Matthew Holliday.

Children born to Catharina Cooper and Matthew Holliday.

1. Yda (Ida). bp.Kind.Ch.9,2,1787, wit. John and Maria Holiday.
2. Tobias. b.1,17,1789; bp.Schod.D.R.Ch.2,8,1789, wit. Tobias Witbeck and Lea Witbeck. D.Y.
3. Tobias. bp.Kind.Ch.12,26,1791, wit. Tobias Whitbeck and Lea Whitbeck.
4. Henry. b.7,7,1794; bp.10,19,1799, New Salem Ch., no wit.
5. Catharina. b.7,20,1799; bp.10,19,1799, New Salem Ch., no wit.
6. Lea. b.10,1,1801; bp.8,25,1801, New Salem Ch., no wit.
7. Sarah. b.4,18,1805; bp.8,11,1805, " " " " "

MARIA COOPER (10TH CHILD). (WIFE OF EVERT WYNKOOP SWART.)

Maria (Mary) Cooper, the 10th child of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany, was b.11,1,1729, at Albany; bp.1st D.Ref.Ch.Alb.11,9,1729, wit. Abraham and Alida Van Arnheim. She married Evert Wynkoop Swart, of Rombout Precinct, Dutchess Co., where she spent the rest of her life. She d. 3,7,1792, and is buried in Cemetery of Dutch Reformed Ch. at Fishkill. Headstone reads "Mary Swart, wife of Evert Wynkoop Swart." Date of his death not found. He was living 5,9,1799, when he and his son, John Swart, and the latter's wife Jane, sold 6 acres of land in Fishkill to John Finegan of New York City, according to Liber 15, p. 474, Poughkeepsie Bk. Deeds. There appear to be no headstones at Fishkill for Evert Wynkoop Swart or his son; they probably moved away. On 2,26,1776, Evert Wynkoop Swart was commissioned a Capt. in Col. Dirck Brinckerhoff's Regt. (2nd) of Dutchess Co. Militia. ("Archives of N.Y." by B.Fernow, vol.1,p.285, and receipt rolls at Archives Building,Washington,D.C.) In 1778 Capt. Swart was succeeded by Capt. Van Wyck. James A. Roberts ("N.Y.in Rev.," p.270, 2d ed.) lists "Sundry persons whose service is evidenced by Manuscripts on file in the Comptroller's Office, but whose names are not found on the Papers of any of the Regular Organizations." In this list appears the name Evert W. Swart,showing that he assisted in other ways than in Brinckerhoff's Regt. The will of Mary (Cooper) Swart (dated 2,21,1787, and recorded at Poughkeepsie 7,23,1792) names "dearly beloved husband" and "loving son John Swart"as executors, and leaves 20 pounds to each of her living brothers and sisters, namely, "oldest brother,John Cooper," Thomas, Jacob, Abraham, Cornelius, Hannah Lansing, and Sarah Van Benthuysen), and 20 pounds to be divided among the children of her deceased brother William, 20 pounds to the children of deceased brother Obadiah, and 20 pounds to children of deceased sister Elizabeth Lansing, the rest of her estate being left to "dearly beloved husband." Evert Wynkoop Swart left no will that was administered in Dutchess Co., but Liber 13,p.65, of Dutchess Co. Bk. Deeds, states that on May 1,1792, he("for the natural love and affection I bear my beloved son John Swart") deeded to his son (for $5) the following pieces of land: 50 acres, 3 acres, 11 plus acres, 43 1/2 acres, 104 acres, and 2 plus acres. According to the histories of Dutchess Co. the Swart family was one of the oldest there, and possessed large land holdings.

John Swart. (Only child of Evert Wynkoop and Mary (Cooper) Swart). b..; m. before May 1799 to Jane .....; d..... No record of will or Lett. Adm. in Dutchess Co. Probably moved away. He served in Rev. in 1780, in Capt. Isaac Van Wyck's Comp. of Dutchess Co. Militia. Was living 5,9,1799, when he and his father sold some land at Fishkill.

CORNELIA COOPER (11TH CHILD).

Cornelia, the 11th child of Obadiah Cooper the tailor, was bp. at 1st D.Ch. Alb. 6,6,1733, wit. Douwen Jr. and Elizabeth Fonda, and buried from the same church 3,29,1748.

CORNELIUS COOPER (12TH CHILD). FARMER.

Cornelius, the 12th child of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany, was born at Albany 11,26,1735; bp. 1st D.Ch.Alb.12,10,1735,wit.Johs. and Anna Hunn. His father died in 1742, and he moved to Fishkill when about 18 years old. He is listed as paying taxes there 1753-1779 plus (the later tax rolls have not been searched). There he married (1) in 1757 (DAR Bible Records, vol.40,p.70) Elizabeth Van Amburgh (b.7,1, 1736; d.3,19,1798). Both are buried in Cem.Fishkill D.Ref.Ch. His headstone reads d.4,9,1824, aged 88 yrs.,3 m.,19 ds. He was a Deacon in Fishkill Ch.; was witness to will of his sister Elizabeth Lansing, of Alb., widow of Abraham Jacobse Lansing, dated 9,6,1780; was left 20 pounds in will of his sister Mary Swart (dated 2,21,1787, and recorded at Poughkeepsie 7,23,1792). He was one of the signers of the 1794 Albany deed. "N.Y.in Rev." and "Graves of Rev. soldiers buried in N.Y.," vol.2, state that he served in Dutchess Co. Mil. 2nd and 6th Regts. and in 1st Regt. of Orange Co. Mil.

(Parenthetically it may be remarked that the Cornelius Cooper who served as Pvt. in 2nd Regt. of Orange Co. Militia is not a descendant of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany. According to DAR "Cem.,Ch.,and Town Records," vol.134,p.161, that Cornelius Cooper married Annatje Haring,and is buried beside her in Cem.at Orangetown, Rockland Co.)

According to the records of the D.Ref.Ch. at Fishkill, Cornelius Cooper, wid., m. (2) 12,23,1798, Ryntie Van Voorhis, widow. Her headstone in Cem. Fishkill D.Ref.Ch. reads "Ranche Cooper d.1,25,1831, in 83d yr. of age. (His will calls her Rantje.) Her will (dated 3,14. 1825, and probated at Poughkeepsie 4,25,1831) leaves her estate to daughters Sarah Rogers and Harriet Van Voorhees and to son Joshua Van Voorhees. The day before Cornelius Cooper's second marriage he deeded to his son John C. a farm of 150 acres at Fishkill and to his son Jacob a farm of 116 acres there. (See Co.Clerk's Records.) There is no record of children by his second marriage. His will (dated 11,3, 1814, and probated at Poughkeepsie 4,14,1824) mentions "beloved wife Rantje," daughters Cornelia Haynes and Jemima Washburn, and grandsons Cornelius Cooper and Cornelius Haynes.

The 1790 census lists Cornelius Cooper at Fishkill Town,with family of:

Males over 16 yrs., 4.[Himself, son John C. (b.1758), son Jacob (b.1763), and probably a relative or helper.]
Males under 16 years, none.
Females, 3. [Wife, unmarried daughter Jemima, and probably wife of son John.]

The 1800 census does not list Cornelius Cooper separately, but as a member of his oldest son's family (John C.), which is:

Males 10-16 yrs.,2. [Sons Cornelius and James.]
Males 26-45 yrs., 1. [Himself, 42 yrs. old.]
Males 45 plus, 1. [His father, Cornelius Cooper.]
Females under 10 yrs., 3.[Daughters Elizabeth,Sarah,and Hannah.]
Females 16-26 yrs., 2. [Relatives or helpers?]
Females 26-45 yrs., 1. [Wife of John C.]
Females 45 plus yrs.2.[Ryntie Van Voorhees, his father's second wife, and a helper.]

The 1810 and 1820 censuses list Cornelius Cooper at Fishkill, with family of: Males 45 plus, 1 [himself]; females 16-26, 1 [relative or helper]; females 45 plus, 1 [his second wife]; and lists his son John C. separately.

Children born to Cornelius Cooper and his first wife, Elizabeth Van Amburgh.

(Owing to incompleteness of Fishkill Church records many dates desired are missing. They had 4 children: John C., Cornelia, Jacob, and Jemima.)

1. John. (Also known as John C.(- son of Cornelius); called John C. in deed executed by his father 12,22,1798,and in other documents.) Born 5,14,1758, at Fishkill; m. to Jane (b.5,21,1763; d.7,19,1820; buried in Fishkill Cemetery). He was an Associator of Rombout Precinct; d. 12,31,1811, aged 53 y., 7 m.,17 ds., & is buried in same cemetery. He served (as John Cooper) in Rev. War in 2nd Regt. (Graham's) of Dutchess Co., according to "Graves of Rev. Soldiers buried in N.Y.," vol.2,p.54, and "N.Y.in Rev.", pp.135-136. Also, according to receipt rolls of that Regt. on file at Archives Building, Washington, D.C., he served June 1,1777 to Jan.1,1778. But he is not the John Cooper who served in same Regt. from Jan.1,1777, to Feb.1778,who was wounded at Albany in Feb.1778 and died from his wounds Feb.9,1778. Nor is he the John C.Cooper who is listed on Muster Roll at Archives Building as serving from July 20 to Oct.3,1775, in 3rd Regt. N.Y. Troops under Col.James Clinton, in Capt. Robert Johnston's Co., roll dated Ticonderoga Oct.3,1775. That John C.Cooper is listed (by B.Fernow, vol.1,1887,p.168) as a cordwainer from Orange Co. and as 32 years old in 1775.

The 1790 census does not list this John Cooper separately. He doubtless is one of the 4 males reported as living with his father. In 1798 his father deeded him farm of 150 acres at Fishkill.

The 1800 census lists him at Fishkill with the family enumerated under the 1800 item under his father, on preceding page.

The 1810 census lists John C. at Fishkill with family of:
Males under 10 yrs., 2. [Grandsons.]
Males 10-16 yrs.1. [Son James or Cornelius.]
Males 16-26 yrs., 1. [" " " "]
Males 45 plus, 1. [Himself.]
Females 10-16 yrs., 2. [Daughters Sarah & Hannah.]
Females 16-26 yrs., 1. [Daughter Elizabeth.]
Females 45 plus yrs., 1. [Wife.]

John C.Cooper d. intestate 12,31,1811,and Lett.Adm.were given his widow (Jane) 2,25,1812. She d.7,19,1820, and in her will mentioned her children as listed below,with exception of Elizabeth, who d.in 1815. Her will was probated at Poughkeepsie 8,3,1820. One of witnesses to her signature was Ranche Van Voorhees, the second wife of her husband's father.

Children born to John and Jane Cooper.

Cornelius. b. : living 3,29,1820 (date of his mother's will).
James. b. Ditto.
Elizabeth. b.11,29,1795; m.7,11,1812, Fishkill D.Ref.Ch., to Benjamin Rogers; d.12,28,1815, aged 20 y.,10 m.,29 ds. (headstone in Fishkill Cem.). He d.2,10,1857,aged 49 y. 1 m. 20 ds. (headstone in same Cem.).
Sarah. b. ; living 3,29,1820 (date of her mother's will).
Hannah. b. ; m. ; living 3,29,1820 (date of mother's will). Had dau. Jane, mentioned in her mother's will.

2. Cornelia. bp.Fishkill D.Ref.Ch.11,22,1759, wit.John Cooper and Ruth Wiltsie; m. John Haynes; mentioned in her father's will.
   1. Isaac. b.8,7,1784; bp.11,7,1784,Fishkill D.Ref.Ch.; d.y.?
   2. Cornelius Cooper. b.7,2,1794; bp.9,28,1794,Fishkill D.Ref.Ch. Mentioned in will of his grandfather, Cornelius Cooper, dated 11,3,1814.

3. Jacob. b.4,11,1763, at Fishkill; m. 1790, at Fishkill, to Ann Terbos (b.8,16,1765; d.8,18,1834); he died at Fishkill "on or about 9,1,1840," according to records Surrogate's Office at Poughkeepsie. Both buried in Cem.D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill. He served in 2nd Regt. Dutchess Co. Militia (Brinckerhoff's) and in 6th Regt. of same Militia (Graham's). His pay check in Brinckerhoff's Regt.(on file Archives Building, Washington, D.C.) is for services rendered in 1779 and 1780, and pay check in Graham's Regt. is for services rendered in 1778. ("Graves of Rev. soldiers buried in N.Y.," vol.2,p.54, state that he served in 6th Regt.Dutchess Co.Mil.and in 3rd Regt.Albany Co. Mil. Latter appears to be an error, and to apply to his uncle (Jacob Cooper of Bethlehem). In 1798 his father deeded him a farm of 116 acres at Fishkill.

The 1790 census does not list this Jacob Cooper in Dutchess Co. He apparently was one of the 4 males over 16 ys. listed in his father's family.

The 1800 census lists him at Fishkill, with family of:
Males under 10 ys., 1.
Males 16-26 ys., 1. [Helper ?]
Males 26-45 ys., 1. [Himself.]
Females under 10 ys., 3. [Elizabeth (b.2,15,1791),Jane (b.7,20,1798), and Martha (b.).]
Females 16-26 yrs., 1. [Helper ?]
Females 26-45 yrs., 1. [Wife.]

The 1810 census lists him at Fishkill, with family of:
Males under 10 yrs., 1. [Benjamin.]
Males 10-16 yrs., 1. [Son,whose name we have not found, who is listed as under 10 yrs. in 1800 census.]
Males 16-26 yrs., 1. [Helper ?]
Males 45 + yrs., 1. [Himself.]
Females under 10 yrs., 1.
Females 10-16 yrs., 1. [Martha.]
Females 16-26 yrs., 2. [Jane and Elizabeth.]
Females 45 plus or minus yrs., 1. [Wife.]

The 1820 census lists him at Fishkill, with family of:
Males 10-16 yrs., 1. [Benjamin (b.2,20,1807).]
Males 45 plus years, 1. [Himself, 57 ys. old.]

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Females under 10 yrs., 1. [Martha.]
Females 16-26 yrs., 2. [Jane (b.7,20,1798) and Elizabeth (b.2,15,1791).]
Females 45 plus yrs., 2. [Wife and helper ? or relative ?]

Children born to Jacob Cooper and Ann Terbos.

1. Elizabeth. b.2,15,1791; bp.D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill 6,23,1793; m.Stephen Ferguson ("of Poughkeepsie", according to Lett.Adm. of her father's estate, dated 11,5,1840, and "of Fairfax Co., Va.," and deceased according to will of her brother Benjamin, dated 1,3,1857).
2. Son under 10 yrs. old in 1800 census and 10-16 yrs.old in 1810 census. Must have died young, as we cannot locate him in 1820 or later censuses, and he is not mentioned in Lett.Adm.of his father in 1840, nor in will of his brother Benjamin, dated 1,3,1857. The"Niece Margaret A. Cooper" mentioned in will of his sister Jane may be dau. of this son.
3?.Jane. b.7,20,1798. Did not marry. Lived in Fishkill, where she d.12,27,1873. Lett.Adm. of estate (F.B.7562,Surrogate's Office, Poughkeepsie), dated 1,17,1874, state her heirs are Martha Van Amburgh, her sister, and Margaret A. Cooper, her niece. Headstone is in Cem.D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill.
4?.Martha. b. ; m.David Hunt Van Amburgh, who d. before 1,3,1857. according to will of her brother Benjamin. She was living in Fishkill 1,3,1857, according to will of her brother Benjamin. The following is from DAR Bible Rec.,vol.40,p.70:
Elizabeth. b. ; m. 1857, to Rev.W.E.Clark.
W.A.Clark. b. ;m. 1877 Lavina Dalton.
Mabel. b. ;m.A.F.Westervelt.
5?.Benjamin. b.6,21,1807; d.2,10,1857. Lived at Fishkill. Appears not to have married, as, according to his will, dated 1,3, 1857 and probated 4,16,1857, he devised his estate as follows (Liber T,p.238,Surrogate's Office, Poughkeepsie):
Sister Elizabeth Ferguson (wid.of Stephen Ferguson of Fairfax Co., Va.) $5.
Sister Jane Cooper, of Fishkill, $5.
Rest of estate to Martha Van Amburgh (wid. of David Van Amburgh), of Fishkill.

4. Jemima. (Youngest child of Cornelius Cooper.) b. ; bp. ; m.1,1,1795, D.Ref.Ch.Fishkill, to Beyer Washburn. Is mentioned in her father's will, dated 11,3,1814. (Dutchess Co. Clerk and Surrogate Offices have no record of Beyer Washburn, who probably lived in some other Co. than Dutchess.)

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

Note No.1. Cornelius Cooper, son of Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany, did not have a son Joshua (as stated in DAR Bible Records, vol.40,p.70), who (according to a "loose leaf record in possession of Miss Mable Wade,57 Beacon St., in 1937") married "about 1796" Elizabeth Cooper. According to records of D.Ref.Ch. Fishkill the following children were born to Joshua Van Ambergh and Elizabeth Cooper:
Harriet Ann. b.6,25,1797; bp.8,13,1797.
David Hunt. b.4,26,1798; bp.11,28,1798.
John Edwin. b.10,4,1800; bp.5,17,1801.

The Elizabeth Cooper who married Joshua Van Ambergh and became the mother of the foregoing children appears to writer to be the dau.of Dr. Jeremiah Cooper, of Fishkill, who was a descendant of the Southampton Coopers.

Note No. 2. The Private who is listed on p.136 of "N.Y.in the Rev." as Cornelius J. Cooper and as serving in 2nd Regt. of Dutchess Co. Mil., and as Cornelius I. Cooper on two receipt cards at Archives Building, Washington, D.C., which state that he served in Brinckerhoff's Regt. (6th) of Dutchess Co. in 1779 and 1780, is believed not to be a son of our Cornelius Cooper of Fishkill, who also served in the same Regt. in 1779 and 1780 and in the 2nd Regt. of Dutchess Co. The receipt cards at Archives Building, Washington, D.C.,state that payments for the services of Cornelius J or I Cooper were made 5,10, 1787, and 6,14,1797. He is believed to be a descendant of the Cornelius Claessen Cuyper (b.1659 in N.Y.City), of Nyack, Rockland Co. (then in Orange Co.), who had 12 children (Annatje, Claes, Teunis, Sarah, Claes, Elizabeth, Cornelius, Neeltje, Derck, Catharine, Hillegont, and Marretje), or of his brother John Claessen Cuyper (b. 1669, N.Y.City).

ABBREVIATIONS.

Alb., Albany.
Alb.D.Ch., Records of First Dutch Reformed Church, Albany, N.Y.
Ann., Annals.
b., born, or birth.
Bldg., Building.
bp., baptized.
btw., between.
bur., buried.
Cem., Cemetery.
Ch., Church.
Coll., Collections.
d., died.
D., Dutch.
DAR., Daughters of the American Revolution.
dau., daughter.
ds., days.
d.y., died young.
D. Sett. Soc. Alb., Dutch Settlers Society of Albany, N.Y.
E.G.Ch., Records of Protestant Reformed Dutch Church at East Greenbush, Rensselaer Co., N.Y.
Epis., Episcopal.
Fish.D.Ch., Records of Reformed Dutch Church, Fishkill,N.Y.
Gen., Genealogy.
H.S.Y.Bk., Holland Society Year Book.
Jeru., Jerusalem.
Kind.Ch., Records of Reformed Dutch Church at Kinderhook, N.Y.
l., lived.
Luth., Lutheran.
m., married.
m. and ms., months.
Mil. Militia.
Muit. Ch., Records of Reformed Dutch Church at Muitzeskill, Rensselaer Co., N.Y.,in Schodack Town.
Nass. Ch., Records Reformed Dutch Church at Nassau, Rensselaer Co.,N.Y.
N.Sal.Ch., Records of Reformed Dutch Church at New Salem, Albany Co., N.Y.
Nisk. Ch., Records of Reformed Dutch Church at Niskayuna, Schenectady Co., N.Y.
Presb., Presbyterian.
Prot., Protestant.
Pvt., Private.
Rec., Records.
Ref., Reformed.
Regt., Regiment.
Rev., Revolution or Revolutionary.
Saug. Ch., Records of Reformed Dutch Church at Saugerties, Ulster Co.
Schen., Schenectady.
Schod.Ch., Records of Reformed Dutch Church at Schodack, Rensselaer Co. N.Y.
Scher. Gen., "The Schermerhorn Genealogy." (Also Sch.)
Soc., Society.
sps., sponsors.
unm., unmarried.
wid., widow or widower.
wit., witness or witnesses.
y., years.
y.d., young daughter.
y.m., young man.
Yr.Bk., Year Book.
ys., years.

W.W.I, World War I. (Also WWI)
W.W.II, World War II. (Also WWII)
Wynant., Wynantskill.

DUTCH BAPTISMAL NAMES AND THEIR ENGLISH EQUIVALENTS.

(Compiled from "Annals of Albany," by J.Munsell,vol.3,pp.114-115, and "Van Deursen Family," by Albert H.Van Deursen,vol.2,pp.693 plus.)

Aaltje - Adeline,Adela.
Aarend - Arthur.
Aart - Arthur.
Adele - Adelaide.
Adriaantje - Adriana.
Agnietje - Agnes.
Aletta - Letitia, Adeline.
Alida - Adeline, Adela.
Andries - Andrew.
Annaatje)
Annatje (- Ann, Anna, Hannah.
Annaken)
Arie - Adrian.
Arnout - Arnold.
Balt - Balthazar.
Bandewyn - Baldurn.
Barber - Barbara.
Barent - Bernard.
Bartel - Bartholomew.
Bartje - Bertha.
Bastiaan - Sebastian.
Beletje, Bella - Isabella.
Bell - Arabella.
Betje - Betty.
Cathalina - Catherine, Catharina.
Cathalyntje " "
Christiaan - Christian.
Christoffel - Christopher.
Christyntje - Christina.
Daam - Adam.
Denys - Dionysius.
Derrik - Richard.
Diederick - Theodore.
Diewertje - Deborah.
Dirk - Richard.
Dries - Andrew.
Elsje - Alice.
Emmetje - Emma.
Engeltje - Angelica.
Epje - Egbert.
Ernst - Ernest.
Evert - Everard.
Frans - Francis.
Filips, Flip - Philip.
Floris - Florence.
Floortje - Flora.
Geertje - Gertrude.
Geertruyd "
Geesje "
Gerrit - Gerard.
Giel - Michael.
Giertje - Gertrude.
Gillis, Jellis - Giles.
Goris - George.
Govert - Godfrey, Geoffrey.
Grietje - Margret.
Gysbert - Gilbert.
Gyselbert - Gilbert.
Hans - Jack.
Hansje - Johanna.
Hendrik - Henry.
Hendrikje - Henrietta.
Henrik - Henry.
Heyltje - Hail.
Hillegonda - Huldah.
Huggen - Hugh.
Jaap - Jacob.
Jaapje - Jacoba.
Jakobus - James.
Jakomina - Jacoba.
Jakomyntje - Jacoba.
Jan - John.
Janne - Jane.
Janneken - Joan.
Jannetje - Jane.
Japik - Jacob.
Jelle - Gellius.
Jellis - Giles.
Jeltje - Gellia.
Jochem - Joachim.
Johanna - Joan.
Johannes - John.
Joost - Justus.
Joris - George.
Josina - Justina.
Josyntje - Justina.
Jurge - George.
Jurian - George.
Kaatje - Catherine.
Karel - Charles.
Kasper - Jasper.
Katryne - Catherine.
Katyrntje - "
Kees - Cornelius.
Kersten - Christian.
Klaartje - Clara.
Klaas - Nicholas.
Klaasje - Nicola.
Klasyne - "
Kobus - James.
Kors - Cornelius.
Krelis - Cornelius.
Kristiaan - Christian.
Kryn - Quirine.

Laurens - Lawrence.
Leendert - Leonard.
Leentje - Helena, Madalene.
Lena - Helena, Magdalena.
Leonora - Lenoor, Ellenor.
Letje - Letitia.
Lieven - Liewe - Leo.
Lodewyk - Ludovicus.
Lotje - Charlotte.
Louis - Lewis.
Louris - Lawrence.
Lukas - Luytje - Luke.
Lysbet, Lysje - Elizabeth.
Maaike - Mary.
Maartje - Mary.
Machtelde - Matilda.
Margrietje - Margaret.
Maria - Mary.
Mariken - Mary.
Marritje - Mary.
Martyntje - Martina.
Marytje - Mary.
Matthys - Matthias.
Meewes - Bartholomew.
Natje - Anna.
Neeltje - Cornelia, Nelly.
Niesje - Agnes.
Obadja - Obadiah.
Otto - Otho.
Paulus, Pauwel - Paul.
Paulyntje - Paulina.
Phlip - Philip.
Roelof - Orlando.
Roosje - Rose.
Rutgert - Roger.
Rykaard - Richard.
Saal - Solomon.
Saartje - Sarah.
Sander - Alexander.
Staats - Eustice.
Stoffel - Christopher.
Styntje - Christina.
Tanneken - Ann.
Teewes - Matthew.
Teunis - Anthony.
Tibout - Theobald.
Toontje - Antonia.
Truyntje - Gertrude.
Tryntje - Catharine.
Tunis - Anthony.
Tymen - Timothy.
Tys - Matthias.
Wouter - Walter.
Ydtje - Ida.
Zanneke - Susanna.

RECORDS OF FIRST REFORMED DUTCH CHURCH OF ALBANY, N.Y.

Baptismal records:
1683-1699 (Holland Soc. Yr. Bk. 1904, p. 31).
1700-1724 (" " " " 1905, pp. 18-106).
1725-1749 (" " " " 1906, pp.15-129).
1750-1762 (" " " " 1907, pp. 17-87).
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1765-1771 (" " " " 1908, pp. 10-62).
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1789-1809 (" " " " 1926-1927, pp. 14-91).

Marriage records:
1683-1699 (" " " " 1904, p. 21).
1700-1724 (" " " " 1905, pp. 1-18).
1725-1748 (" " " " 1906, pp. 1-15).
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1763-1764 (" " " " 1907, pp. 87-90).
1765-1771 (" " " " 1908, pp. 1-10).
1772-1779 (" " " " 1922-1923, pp, 1-12).
1780-1789 (" " " " 1924-1925, pp. 1-9).
1789-1804 (" " " " 1926-1927, pp. 1-13).

Burial records:
1654-1664 (Dutch Settlers Soc. Alb. Yr. Bk. 1931-2, vol.7,pp. 7-10).
1654-1883 (" " " " " " 1932-4,vols. 8 & 9, pp.1-130).
1722-1757 (Annals of Albany, by J. Munsell, vol.1, pp.235-249).

A D D E N D A

Note No. 1. Regarding the suggestion that has been made by some persons that the father of Obadiah the tailor was an English soldier who remained as a settler: Altho this may be possible, as the ownership of the Dutch settlements in the Albany region were transferred to the English in 1664, our researches have failed to yield a scintilla of evidence in support of the theory.

Note No. 2. Regarding the suggestion that has been made that Obadiah the tailor was himself an English soldier who remained as a settler: Altho admitting that all things are possible, our researches have yielded nothing to support this theory. Queen Anne's War lasted from 1702 to 1713, and it would seem that had Obadiah the tailor participated in it some record of that fact would have been found long age.

Note No. 3. Regarding the suggestion, which has been made by several persons, that Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany 1713-1742 may have been a son of the unsuccessful land speculator Timothy Cooper who lived at Albany in 1675 and died in N.J. in 1679: According to Burke's history of Springfield, Mass., vol.1,pp.555-556, this Timothy Cooper was a son of Thomas Cooper, and was married to Elizabeth Munson 10,19,1664; their children were:

Sarah.b.3,17,1666; m.1683 John Woodruff; d.6,3,1777.
Thomas. b.1,12,1667.
John. b.1,24,1670. Went to Newark, N.J.
Elizabeth. b.1,21,1672.

"The widow of Timothy Cooper deeded her dower in lands in Springfield, Fort Albany, and in N.J. in 1680."

Note No.4. Regarding the Obadiah Cooper who is said ("Pioneer life on the Bay of Quinte") to have left Dutchess County in 1802 for Canada, George Rogers Howell ("Early History of Southampton, L.I., N.Y.," 2d ed., pp.217-226, 1887) has this to say:

"The Ebenezer of that line [the Southampton, L.I., line, to which Howell belonged] in early life moved to Dutchess Co., and located near Poughkeepsie, where his son Nathaniel was bp. 11,17,1765. His wife was Priscilla Smith, to whom he was married 12,31,1764. It is possible that they had a son named Obadiah, who was the Obadiah who is said ('Pioneer life on the Bay of Quinte') to have left Dutchess Co. in 1802 and settled in Prince Edward County, Ontario."

The writer has endeavored, unsuccessfully, to contact the Canadian descendants of this Obadiah Cooper, some of whom are said to live at Brighton and Hallowell. To her is seems possible that the Obadiah who left Fishkill in 1802 for Canada may have been a son of Obadiah J., the son of John who moved from Albany to Fishkill in 1748 or 1749 and who was the oldest son of Obadiah the tailor.

Note No. 5. Regarding the group of Coopers who bore the Christian names Pieter, William, Christian, Christopher, Martin, Conrad, John, Hendrick, etc., some of whom removed from Schoharie (where they were born) to Albany and vicinity shortly before the Revolution and assisted in that struggle: This group of Coopers were Germans and appeared on the scene much later than Obadiah Cooper the tailor of Albany. In the records of the "High [German] and Low [Dutch] Reformed Church" at Schoharie their names are spelled Copper, Kupffer, and Kupper. "New York in the Revolution" lists the following members of this group as serving in the 6th Regiment of the Albany County Militia: Christian, Christopher, Peter, and William. According to the pension application

of William he was born in Schoharie County 7,13,1762, and during the Revolution lived in Greenbush Town, Rensselaer County. He is understood to be one of the founders of the Wynantskill Dutch Reformed Church, in North Greenbush. Many descendants of this group of Coopers later lived in Rensselaer and Columbia Counties.

Note No. 6. The earliest recorded Coopers in what is now Washington County, N.Y., were two brothers (John and William) who during the Revolution lived at Cambridge, in that County, and served in the Albany County Militia. The pension papers of this John Cooper (on file at the Archives Building, Washington, D.C.) state that he was a brother of William; that he was born at Octavia, York Co., Pa., in 1752; that during the Revolution he lived at Cambridge, then in Albany Co.; and the date of his death is given as 9,13,1832.

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Annatje (gddau. of Ab.) 118,136.
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